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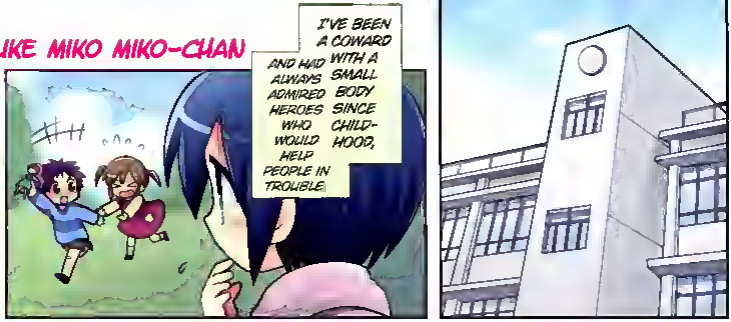
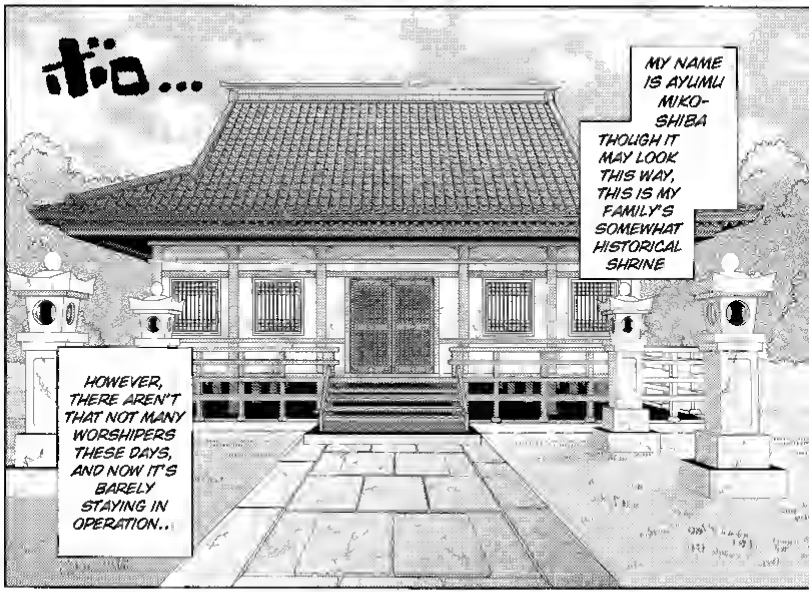


I CAN'T EVEN HAVE A DIRECT CONVERSATION WITH UNFAMILIAR PEOPLE.
O...Okay...?
U-u-Uhh, here's the l-l-l-logbook!
Uh!
BUT JUST AS EXPECTED, EVEN NOW AFTER BECOMING A JUNIOR-HIGH STUDENT,
ドキ
ドキ ドキ
Uh! Uh!

CH. 1: TRANSFORM!!
みんなのミコちゃんが帰ってきた！
待望の新連載開始!!
EVERYONE'S MIKO-CHAN HAS RETURNED!! THIS IS THE START OF THE LONG-AWAITED NEW SERIALIZATION!!
お助け巫女
Rescue Maiden MIKO
ミコちゃん
OTASUKE MIKO MIKO-CHAN
オトコの娘魔法少女(?)
華麗に登場です!!
A TRAP MAGICAL GIRL (?) MAGNIFICENTLY MAKES HIS APPEARANCE!!
HIROICHI

ガチャ
I'M HOME!


ガヤ...
MY NAME IS AYUMU MIKOSHIBA
THOUGH IT MAY LOOK THIS WAY, THIS IS MY FAMILY'S SOMEWHAT HISTORICAL SHRINE
HOWEVER, THERE AREN'T THAT NOT MANY WORSHIPERS THESE DAYS, AND NOW IT'S BARELY STAYING IN OPERATION..

AYUMU,
YOU SAID YOU HAD SOMETHING SERIOUS TO TALK ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON?

MOM, DAD,

DON'T TELL ME THE SHRINE IS FINALLY GOING TO CLOSE DOWN OR SOMETHING...?
WE'RE SORRY FOR NOT TELLING YOU UNTIL NOW...
LISTEN CLOSELY.
AYUMU ... YOU'RE REALLY ...

SOMEONE WHO WILL PROTECT THE PEACE OF THIS TOWN
YOU'RE A MAGICAL GIRL.
.....

HUH...?
.....
I-I'M A BOY..! ACTUALLY, WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY MAGICAL GIRL...!?
WHOA WHOA WHOA! WHERE SHOULD I START WITH THE COME-BACKS!?
SO DO YOUR BEST FROM NOW ON!
WELL, IF I WAS TO PUT IT SIMPLY, THEY'RE IMAGE GIRLS.
THE MIKOSHIBA FAMILY HAD A LINE OF GIRLS FOR GEN-ERATIONS,
SO THEY'VE PLAYED AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE TOWN AS MAGICAL GIRLS AND SUPPORTED THIS SHRINE
HUH...?

AH... NO, IN THAT CASE, THERE ARE OTHER WAYS TO DEAL WITH THIS...A MAGICAL GIRL OF ALL THINGS IS...

IN THIS CASE, WE'VE DECIDED TO LEAVE IT UP TO YOU.
BUT AS YOU CAN SEE, THE SHRINE IS IN DECLINE, AND YOU, A BOY, ARE OUR ONLY CHILD, AYUMU.

THAT WOULD BE CUTE!?
DON'T YOU THINK
舞 is jus- tice.
Cute- ness は

BUT...

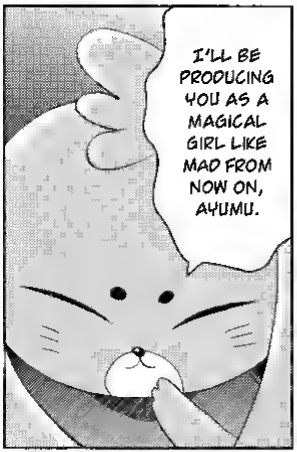
...HUH...?

AHH...
JUST WHAT IS A MAGICAL GIRL...?
Sigh
WHAT EXACTLY AM I SUPPOSED TO DO...?
HOW'S IT GOIN'?

HIGYAA!!

THIS FOX (?) SPOKE...!?

WHA !! WHA ...!!
WHAT'S WITH YOUR REACTION? IT'S NOT THAT SHOCKING!

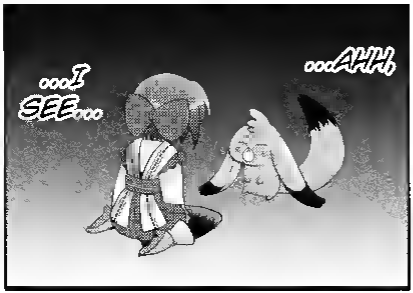

I'LL BE PRODUCING YOU AS A MAGICAL GIRL LIKE MAD FROM NOW ON, AYUMU.

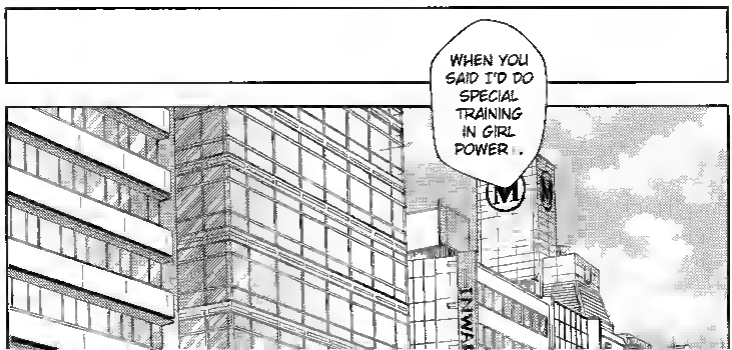
WHAT A HALF-BAKED FANTASY!!
Call me Fuu-chan!
A MASCOT CHARACTER IS STANDARD WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT MAGICAL GIRLS. IN OTHER WORDS, I'M YOUR MANAGER.
And he looks stuck up

FIRST OF ALL, THE MOST IMPORTANT PART IS... THE TRANSFORMATION.
TRANSFORMATION!!
I'm gonna change myself??
CHANGE INTO THIS.
SO... HOW AM I GOING TO TRANSFORM...?
OH NO... I GOT A LITTLE EXCITED...

ACTUALLY, YOU CAN SEE THEM...
My boxers...
IS... ISN'T...
THIS SKIRT... KINDA SHORT ...?
YOU IDIOT! YOU CAN'T WEAR BOXERS UNDER A SKIRT!!
EHHHH !?
C...COME ON...GIVE THOSE BACK...
HMM, YOU LOOK GREAT, BUT THERE'S SOMETHING YOU CRUCIALLY LACK AS A MAGICAL GIRL
NO, I LACK EVERY-THING...
NAMELY ...

GIRL POWER.


...I SEE...
...AHH.


WHEN YOU SAID I'D DO SPECIAL TRAINING IN GIRL POWER...

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WHY DOES THE SPECIAL TRAINING INVOLVE ME BUYING GIRL'S CLOTHES!?

UHHH... I'VE NEVER WALKED AROUND A PLACE LIKE THIS, SO I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT TO DO...

Irritated...
YOU'LL OFTEN BE GOING FROM JOB TO JOB, SO IF YOU DON'T GET AROUND, YOU'LL BE OUT FAST MIDNIGHT.

WOW...

I-I'M SORR...

WA!
ドン

WHAT'S WRONG? DO YOU NEED SOME HELP?
WELCOME!
カチコチ
HUH!? UH... U-UM ...
I-I WANT C-CUTE CLOTHES ...
BUT I DON'T REALLY.. KNOW WHERE TO START...
COME ALONG,
I SEE.

I'LL MAKE YOU TRANS-FORM.
"TRANS-FORM"...?

YEAH! THAT LOOKS REALLY GOOD ON YOU!
AH... ER... UH...
NOW FOR THE MAKEUP.
MAKE-UP...!?
YOUR SKIN IS STILL VERY PRETTY, TOO, SO IT'LL JUST BE A LITTLE BIT.
OKAY.

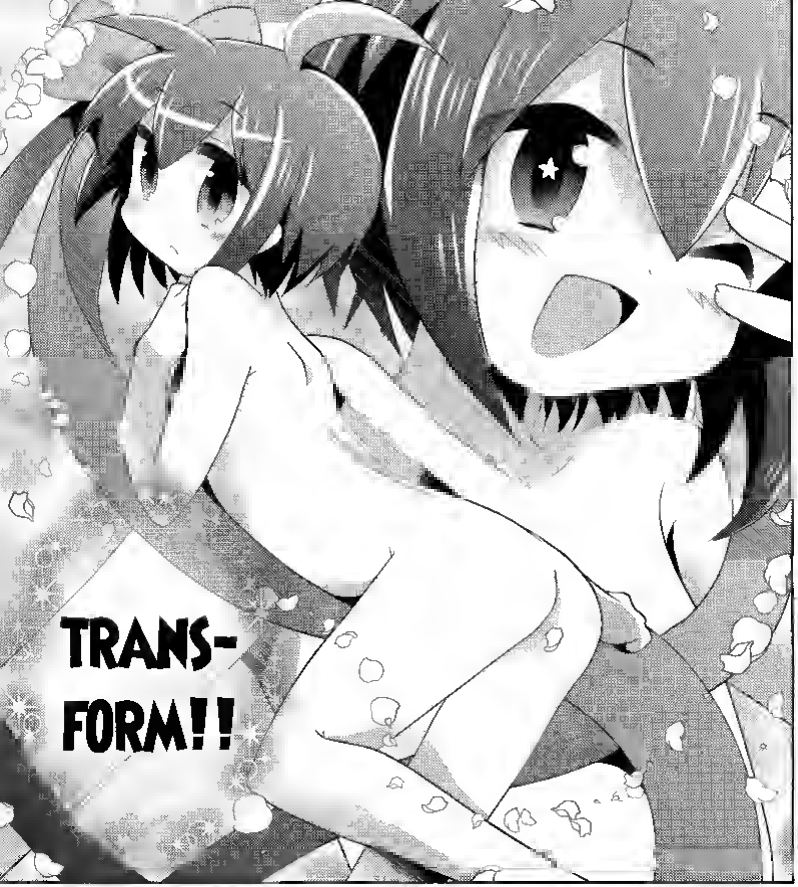
ALL DONE!

WOW ...
IT REALLY IS JUST LIKE MAGIC...

SO THIS IS HOW
How cute!
GIRLS VIEW THE WORLD...
COME TO THINK OF IT...

I STILL HAVEN'T BOUGHT UNDER-WEAR...!
UH. UM... WHERE DO YOU SELL THE...
HM? WHAT'S WRONG?
ゴオッ
UNDER...
YOU THIEF !!
HE RAN THAT WAY!!
HUH!?
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
DAMN IT...!
HE'S COMING THIS WAY...!

HUH!? B-BUT...!
AYUMU! TRANS-FORM!
THE PEACE OF THIS TOWN, RIGHT!!?
YOU'RE GOING TO PROTECT
...I'M GOING TO...?
ギュ!!...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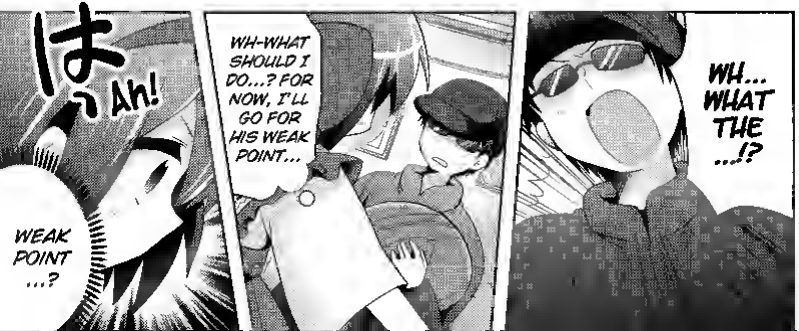
WH... WHAT THE ...!?
WH-WHAT SHOULD I DO...? FOR NOW, I'LL GO FOR HIS WEAK POINT...
Ah!
WEAK POINT ...?

T...
TAKE
THAT
!!
I DID
IT...!
I'm
sorry.
!!!

I WONDER WHY WHEN I PUT ON THIS OUTFIT...
I MYSTERIOUSLY GET REALLY COURAGEOUS...
HM ...?
ざわ…
ざわ…
COME TO THINK OF IT...I DID THAT WITHOUT WEARING ANY UNDERWEAR...
NOOOOOO!!

I MUST SAY, YOU DID A GOOD JOB TODAY! NICELY DONE!
IF YOU DO YOUR BEST AS A MAGICAL GIRL, THE REVIVAL OF THE SHRINE IS NOT JUST A DREAM!
ふぁぁぁん
I'VE HAD IT. THERE'S NO WAY I'M GONNA BE A MAGICAL GIRL...
WHY!? YOU HAVE TALENT, AYUMU! HAVE CONFIDENCE IN YOURSELF!
IT SEEMS LIKE IT'LL STILL BE A LITTLE WHILE UNTIL I BECOME THE HERO OF MY DREAMS,
A...
A HERO IS NOTHING LIKE THIS!!
BUT FOR NOW, MY NEW LIFE HAS BEGUN...
LOOK FORWARD TO HIS ACTIVITIES FROM NOW ON!
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TO BE CONTINUED

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NN...
チュン チュン
ぱち...
OTASUKE MIKO MIKO-CHAN
WAAA-
AAA!!

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CH. 2: PROGRESS!
A TRAP MAGICAL GIRL WILL DO HIS BEST!
HIROICHI

HEY NOW, YOU'RE STILL SURPRISED?
Y-YOU BET I AM! BESIDES, STOP CRAWLING INTO MY BED!
THIS ANIMAL IS FULL-CHAN.
Unmalrou in the morning is the best!
HIS TRUE IDENTITY IS UNKNOWN
UMA
AND IT SEEMS LIKE HE'S MY SELF-STYLED PRODUCER (?).
IF YOU ASK WHAT WE DO...
THE FUTURE STAR!!
MAGICAL GIRL
TRAINING COURSE
WAIT A SECOND ...

WHAAAT !?
YOU SHOULD TRY TO SPEND AS MUCH TIME AS POSSIBLE CROSS-DRESSING FROM NOW ON
BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT THAT YOU CAN REGULARLY DRESS LIKE THAT
WHY AM I DRESSED LIKE THIS!?
I DON'T WANT AND THAT THIS —
モゾ…
F-FEELS STRANGE, TOO..
WAAA-AAAA!
It's traumatic for me to remember!
WHAT'S THE MATTER? IN THE END, DIDN'T YOU'RE MOM BUY YOU GIRL'S PANTI ..

WHAT'S IMPORTANT ABOUT BEING A "MAGICAL GIRL"
IS YOUR IMAGE.
OKAY, LET'S START THE LES-SON
THE ETERNALLY LONGED FOR ULTIMATE JUSTICE...
AN ENCHANTED BEING WHO'S LOVED BY ALL BOYS AND GIRLS OF ALL AGES
THAT'S WHAT YOU'LL BECOME IN THE DAYS AHEAD, AYUMU.

TH-THAT WAS OUT OF DESPERATION...
THAT'S NOT TRUE YOU REMEMBER YOUR TRANSFORMATION FROM THE OTHER DAY, RIGHT?

THAT'S THE COMPLETE OPPOSITE OF ME

LONGED FOR...

MY HEART...

THAT'S BECAUSE YOUR HEART HASN'T COMPLETELY CHANGED YET.
AND I WAS REALLY EMBARRASSED, TOO.

SO FROM TODAY ON, I'M GOING TO RECONSTRUCT YOU.
OR RATHER, I'M GOING TO INDOCTRINATE YOU.
Brainwash Manual

STARTING TODAY, YOU'RE
"PRETTY RESCUE GIRL MIKO-CHAN"!

AHH, THIS IS ONE ABSOLUTELY DANGEROUS GUY...

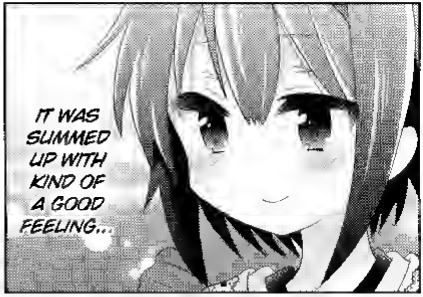
NO, THAT'S A PATTERN FOR MY CHARACTER TO DEFINITELY GET MESSED UP HALFWAY THROUGH!
LET'S NOT DO THAT, OKAY!? LET'S DO IT NORMALLY OKAY!?
I CAME ALONG AS YOUR ATTENDANT
AS FOR YOUR BACKSTORY, YOU'RE FROM PLANET MIKOMIKO, AND CAME TO EARTH FOR PRINCESS TRAINING FROM THE WORLD OF SHRINE MAIDENS
AND I DON'T WANT TO CALL MYSELF A PRETTY GIRL!! I REALLY DON'T WANT TO!!
SHOULDN'T THE EMERGENCY TAKE PRIORITY!?
NO MATTER WHAT THE EMERGENCY MAY BE
BE SURE TO SAY THIS NAME WHEN YOU APPEAR,

THE CONVERSATION'S BEEN GOING IN A WEIRD DIRECTION FOR A WHILE, BUT..
ACTUALLY..

THAT'S...
WHAT ABOUT THE CRUCIAL MAGIC..?
My transformation was me changing clothes too

SOMETHING YOU'LL CREATE YOURSELF.
I WILL...?
YEAH, YOU CAN DO IT, AYUMU
FUU-CHAN...

BUT THE POINT IS, THAT MEANS I CAN'T USE IT, RIGHT...?
Food's ready!


IT WAS SUMMED UP WITH KIND OF A GOOD FEELING...

MIKO-SHIBA!
PERFECT TIMING. CAN YOU CARRY THESE TO THE CLASS-ROOM?
AH! AH, YE...
YES ...
!!
IT'S HEAVY
Wobble
Wobble...
LiPt...

HEYA, AYUMU-KUN!
WAKABA-CHAN. SOUICHI...
WHAT'S WITH ALL THESE? IT'S HARD DOING IT BY YOURSELF, RIGHT!?
AH...
If it's about this much
I... I'M SORRY...
YOU GUYS ARE ALWAYS HELPING ME...

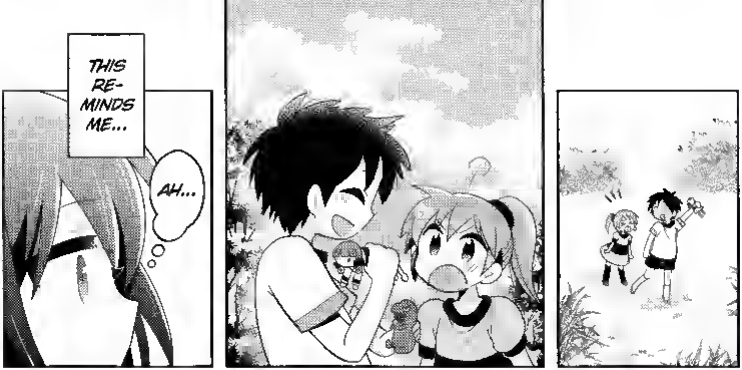
AH!
IT'S OKAY! JUST STAY THE WAY YOU ARE, AYUMU-KUN!
Relief...
A KID LIKE YOU SHOULD SHOWER THOSE AROUND HIM WITH SMILES
SOMEONE WITH NORMAL SEXUAL DESIRES WOULD INSTANTLY
Babump
Bang
!!
Ah!
No...I'm scared...
Please... forgive me...!
INSTANT-LY.. HUH.?

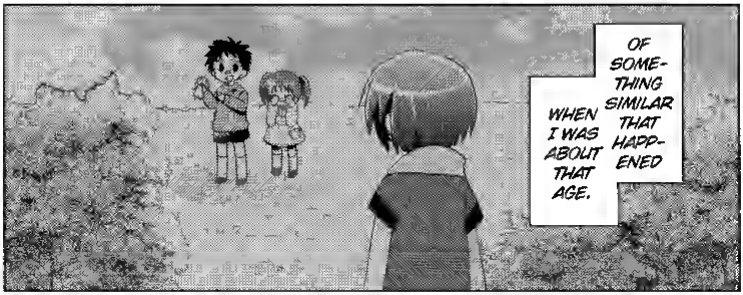
SOU-ICHI...
JUST STAY THE WAY YOU ARE, AYUMU.
THESE TWO ARE MY CLASS-MATES WAKABA KIMURA-CHAN AND SOUICHI MAKITA.
THEY'RE ALWAYS HELPING ME, WHO DIDN'T EVEN KNOW ANYONE RIGHT AFTER STARTING JUNIOR HIGH.
I'm not a girl.
QUALI-TIES ...??
A SHY GIRL WITH BOYISH QUALITIES RANKS PRETTY HIGH IN MY BOOK.
THEY'RE MY PRECIOUS FRIENDS.
TH... THANKS...

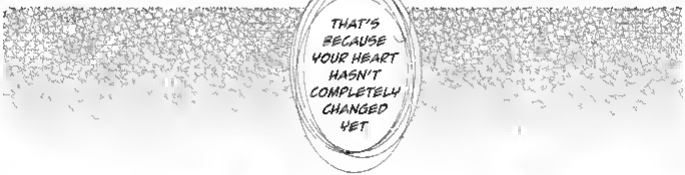
きゅ～～～～ん
WAAAA!?
UWAAAAAA! YOU'RE SUCH AN ANGEL, AYUMU-KYUN!
ガバッ
THEY'RE A LITTLE STRANGE, THOUGH...

AHH... LIKE I THOUGHT, I'M HOPE-LESS...

BUT WHEN I WAS DRESSED LIKE THAT, I FELT LIKE I COULD BECOME A DIFFERENT PERSON...
WAS THAT REALLY MAGIC...?
Pun
BUHAA!
IT'S FINALLY OVER? SCHOOL IS SO BORING! AND YOUR BAG IS SO TIGHT!
Whew!
YOU FOLLOWED ALONG, FUU-CHAN!?
HM...?
THERE AREN'T ANY MASCOTS LIKE THAT!
OF COURSE IT'S THE MASCOT CHARACTER'S JOB TO MANAGE THE HEROINE'S SCHEDULE, AFTER ALL


THIS RE-MINDS ME...
AH...


OF SOME-THING SIMILAR THAT HAPP-ENED
WHEN I WAS ABOUT THAT AGE.


THAT'S BECAUSE YOUR HEART HASN'T COMPLETELY CHANGED YET.

ALRIGHT, HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!
FUU-CHAN.
.....

STOP IT!!
HEH HEH! YOU DUMMY!!
WHEN YOU'RE TROUBLED,
OR GOING THROUGH A DIFFI-CULT TIME,
HUH?
I'LL ALWAYS PROTECT YOU.
ダ!!!

PRETTY
RESCUE
GIRL
MIKO-
CHAN
HAS
ARRIVED!!

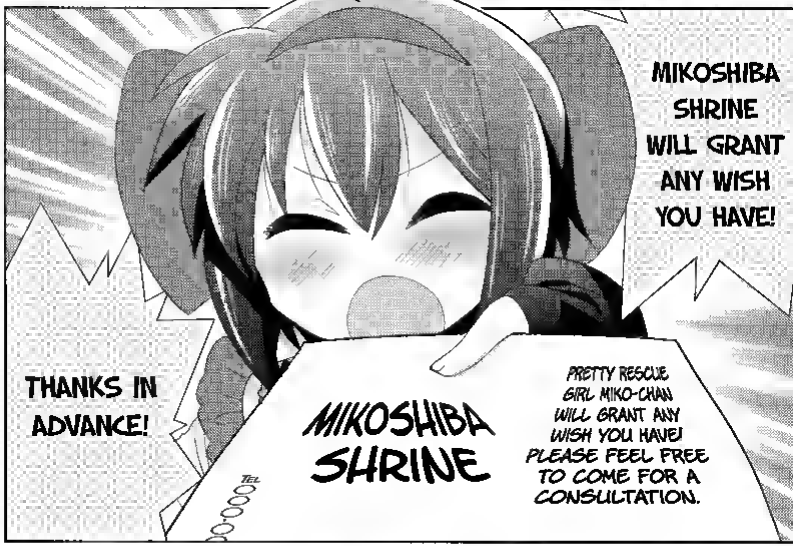
……
I COMPLETELY MISSED THE MARK!!
WHAT'S GOING ON, ONEE-SAN…?
WOW, COSPLAY!
DON'T GET DIS-COUR-AGED, DON'T GET DIS-COUR-AGED…

THAT'S NOT HOW YOU PLAY WITH THOSE.
OH?
BANG BANG!
GUH... YOU... GOT ME...
THANKS FOR SAVING ME!
YOU'RE MY HERO!

BOYS HAVE TO PROTECT GIRLS.
PROTECT ...?
HERE YOU GO.
...I SEE! I UNDER-STAND!!
THANKS, COSPLAY GIRL!!

UH... UMMM ...

Gyaa!
SOME-ONE'S COM-ING!!
AYUMU! THE AD! THE AD!
EHHH!?
IS THIS SOME KIND OF EVENT?
OHH? WHAT'S GOING ON?


MIKOSHIBA SHRINE WILL GRANT ANY WISH YOU HAVE!
THANKS IN ADVANCE!
MIKOSHIBA SHRINE
PRETTY RESCUE GIRL MIKO-CHAN WILL GRANT ANY WISH YOU HAVE! PLEASE FEEL FREE TO COME FOR A CONSULTATION.

BYE-BYE, COSPLAY GIRL!
...? WHAT...?

AH...

WEARING THAT OUTFIT OUTSIDE IS TOO EMBARRASSING, AFTER ALL...
Sigh...

ALL RIGHT...
?!

AH...

GOOD MORNING! YOU HAVE SUCH NICE SKIN TODAY, TOO!
Haa... Haa
S-STOP IT, WAKABA-CHAN!
A GIRL WITH A YOUNGER BOY
IS THIS POSSI-BLY A LITTLE BIT OF PROG-RESS...?

PRE-CIOUS FRI-ENDS.

TO BE CONTINUED

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CH. 3: FIRST JOB!
I'M PRETTY RELIABLE.
HIROICHI

THIS HILL SURE IS A PAIN...

AHH...

Here
School district
School district
School district
Town
WHY IS IT IN SUCH A HARD TO REACH PLACE...?

AHH!
WE'RE FINAL-LY...

AND YET YOU'RE JUST IN THE BAG...
A MAGICAL GIRL'S CAPITAL IS HER BODY!
THINK OF THIS AS TRAINING AND DO YOUR BEST!
Zzzz...

SHOP
OH! WELCOME BACK, AYUMU.
HERE!?
MIKO-C
Miko-chan
An idol who's come from planet Mikomiko

this one, too!
IT'S GREAT NOWADAYS...
IT'S BECOME REALLY EASY TO MAKE PROMO GOODS.
Ahh, I wanna make.
Catalog

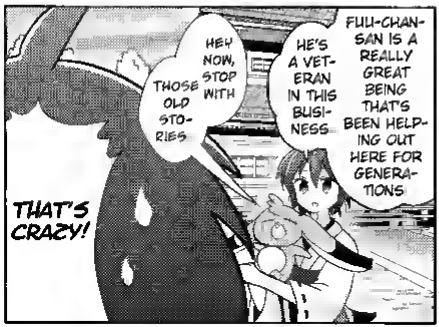
MOM! WHAT IS THIS!?
ISN'T IT NATURAL TO DEVELOP PROMO GOODS FOR AN IMAGE CHARACTER?

WHEN DID YOU MAKE THAT!?
AND HOW!?
DON'T SHRINES SELL STUFF LIKE CHARMS AS PROMO GOODS!?
AND AREN'T HUG PILLOWS ARE A MUST?

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN IT!
AM I GOING TO BE USING THIS!?
IT'S A MUST ITEM FOR A MAGICAL GIRL.
YOU TOO CAN BE A MAGICAL GIRL!
SOLVE ANY PROBLEM WITH MYSTERIOUS MAGIC!
BY THE WAY, THE FIRST TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE MAIN STORY, THE MIKO-CHAN STAFF, IS ALSO NOW ON SALE
UHH ...
YOU'VE LEFT ME TOO FAR BEHIND WITH ALL THIS, SO I CAN'T KEEP UP...
WHEN DID HE DO THAT!?
Come see
Miko-Cha
Mikoshiba Shrine
YOUR DAD ALSO MADE AN OFFICIAL SITE, AND THE ACCESS NUMBER IS GOING UP BIT BY BIT.
WELL I UNDER- ... STAND THAT YOU'RE SURPRISED WITH IT BEING SO SUDDEN
STOP MOPING!
AREN'T YOU A TRAP!?
DON'T YOU MEAN A BOY!?

BECAUSE YOU USED TO BE SO BAD WITH TALKING TO PEOPLE...
MOM..
BUT, I'M HAPPY.
AND NOW YOU'RE SO LIVELY WHEN YOU'RE CROSS-DRESSING...
HEY, STOP SAYING STARNGE THINGS...
You're not wrong, though
WELL, YOU'LL GET USED TO IT SOON.
FUU-CHAN
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO ASK YOU...
BUT JUST WHO IS FUU-CHAN..?

WHAAAT !?
THAT BRINGS BACK MEMO-RIES OF WHEN THE TWO OF US WENT AROUND TOWN...


THAT'S CRAZY!
HEY NOW, STOP WITH THOSE OLD STO-RIES
HE'S A VET-ERAN IN THIS BUSI-NESS
FUU-CHAN-SAN IS A REALLY GREAT BEING THAT'S BEEN HELPING OUT HERE FOR GENERA-TIONS

THAT'S RIGHT.
Your mom was so showy at the time.
AND WITH FUU-CHAN, TOO
I HAD HALF-EXPECTED IT, BUT YOU ALSO DID IT AFTER ALL!

AND NOW YOU'RE TELLING ME TO GO GET CHANG-ED...
IN ANY CASE, YOU CAN'T SPEAK PROPERLY IF YOU GO HOW YOU USUALLY ARE, RIGHT?
GO ON. YOU'RE THE STAR, SO HURRY UP AND CHANGE INTO BEING A SALES-GIRL.
I have to start dinner

OH MY!
Look at the time.

THOUGH EVEN IF I SAY THAT, NO ONE'S HERE...
Uu...
WE... WELCOME!
THERE'S NO WAY ANYONE WOULD COME ANYTIME SOON
WELL, AT A PLACE LIKE THIS,
I might be the one helped instead.
Love FulFill-Ment
4-99

UM... ARE YOU MI-MIKO-CHAN...?
I saw this flyer
SOMEONE CAME!
EH!?
Y-YES ...
TO THINK SOMEONE WOULD ACTUALLY COME BY...

I NEED SOME ADVICE...

HE'S ABOUT COLLEGE AGE... I GUESS.

BUT I DON'T KNOW ANY GIRLS THAT I COULD TALK TO ABOUT THIS.
BUT I'M NOT A GIRL, EITHER...

W-WELL...
I RECENTLY GOT MY FIRST GIRL-FRIEND!
AND SHE'S COMING OVER TO MY PLACE FOR THE FIRST TIME TO HANG OUT...
I-IF POS-SIBLE...
IF...
IF YOU'RE OKAY WITH ME...
WHAAAAT!!?
I WANNA DO IT IN ONE GO!!
IS THIS POSSI-BLY...
AN ADULT DISCUSSION...!?
YES!
D-DO... DO IT...
AH, UH...!?

I SEE...
SO, I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU... TO REHEARSE WITH ME IF YOU CAN...
I WANT TO HOLD HER..
HER HAND!!
AHH.. I SEE...
IN THAT CASE... I GUESS IT'LL WORK OUT SOMEHOW...
I'LL GRANT YOUR WISH!!
OKAY!

THANKS FOR HAVING ME...
THIS ISN'T MUCH, BUT..
AH! YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GO TO THE TROUBLE!
AH, OKAY
AH! THEN MAKE SOME DRINKS!!
I'M SCARED HOW I'M USED TO DRESSING LIKE THIS...
and how I can talk to him in this outfit...
DO YOU WANT WATER, A PROTEIN DRINK, OR AN ENERGY DRINK!?
WHAT'S WITH THAT LINEUP!?
Protein
U-UM, IF YOU CAN,
IT MIGHT BE GOOD FOR YOU TO ALSO MAKE SOME BLACK TEA LIKE NORMAL
I SEE!

THIS MIGHT BE HARDER THAN I THOUGHT..
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U-UM, IF YOU LIKE, HOW ABOUT WE WATCH A DVD...OR SOMETHING?
I SEE!!

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Water→

IF IT'S THE ALL JAPAN PRO WRESTLING SERIES, I HAVE ALL THE DVD COMPILATIONS!
OF COURSE THERE'S EVEN THE CHOUCHUU COMPLETE BOX AMONG THEM.
I CAN WATCH THESE FOR HOURS!!
Chouchuu Complete Works
THIS IS HOPELESS!!

A FEW HOURS LATER

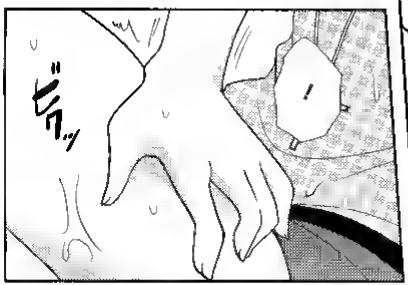
THERE WERE ALREADY PROBLEMS BEFORE THAT, THOUGH...
HOW PATHETIC.
I'M REALLY NOT USED TO THIS SORT OF THING...
SO.. I THINK YOU SHOULD GRADUALLY STEP THINGS UP WITH THAT PERSON.
I STILL DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND, THOUGH.
!
I'M STILL LEARNING.. SO I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL.
I THINK ANYONE WOULD BE LIKE THAT AT FIRST
UWAA...!?
YOU'RE RIGHT! YOU'RE SO SMART!! YOU'RE A MASTER AT THIS!!
!!

Hya !?
パニャ!!
AH! I-I-
I'M SORRY! WHAT HAVE I DONE!?
AH... I'M OKAY...
EH...?
I'LL GET SOME-THING TO DRY YOU....
WHOAAAA!!

AH...!
AH...
きゅっ…
SORRY...
I'M...

Haa!
Haa!
WH... WHAT ...!?
I'M SORRY... YOU
Oh my!

YOU SMELL NICE...
HUH !?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NO...!

NO!
STOP IT...!

AH...
N-
NO...!

WA... WAAAA!
Haa!
Haa!
MASTER ...!

HEY! WAIT...!

IT'S TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM WHEN WAKABA-CHAN HUGS ME...

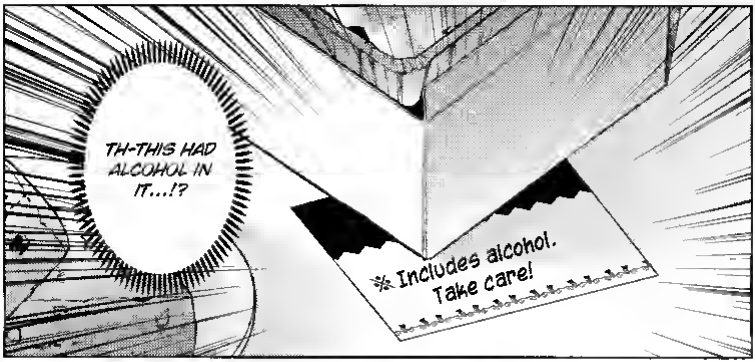
HE'S REALLY STRONG ...

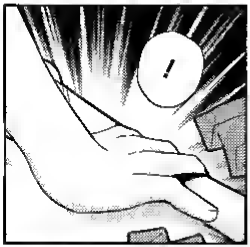
EEK!

I'M SCARED ...!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO...!

Ah!

WHY IS THIS HAPPENING ...?


TH-THIS HAD ALCOHOL IN IT...!?
※Includes alcohol. Take care!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EEK!
MA-MASTER ...!

If you go over to someone's house
At least drink a glass of water first
NO WONDER I THOUGHT I FELT DIZZY ..
Mom

STOP IT!!
Ah!
COME TO THINK OF IT, SHE GAVE ME THIS...
AH...
WAAA! ARE YOU OKAY!?

MAS-TER!
THE NEXT DAY
AH, THE GUY FROM YESTER-DAY..
I CAUSED YOU A LOT OF TROUBLE YESTER-DAY
For some reason I don't really remember
NO PLEASE DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT... REALLY.
I CAN'T TELL HIM THAT IT WAS REALLY MY FAULT...
UM... WHAT ABOUT YOUR GIRL-FRIEND?
THINGS ARE GOING GREAT!
IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU, MASTER!
REALLY !?
I SEE... THEN THAT'S GOOD.
AND SO, I WANT TO INTRO-DUCE YOU TO HER TODAY
HII-CHAN!

ゴゴゴ…!
I HEARD YOU HELPED OUT OKKUN...
THIS IS MY GIRL-FRIEND!
We know each other from our pro wrestling club.
!?
OKKUN'S SPECIAL PROTEIN TEA...
WAS GREAT
SO SHE LIKED IT!
WATCHING THE DVDS GOT US SO EXCITED!
FUJINARI VS CHOU-CHUU WAS SO INTENSE!
SO IT WENT WELL!!
HUH...
SO THEY SUITED EACH OTHER FROM THE START...
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THERE WAS NO POINT IN ME GOING THROUGH THAT..
Ah!

LET'S EAT!
WOW! YOUR LUNCH LOOKS YUMMY, AYUMU!
YOURS LOOKS VERY FANCY, WAKABA-CHAN.

HUH !?
AND SINCE VEGETABLES ARE EXPENSIVE THESE DAYS THEY'RE ALL FROM SALES
WE WAKE UP EARLY AT HOME SO IT'S BASICALLY A COMBINATION OF LAST NIGHT'S SIDE DISHES

SH-SHE'S RICH...!!
AHH, SOME HOTEL CHEF COMES TO MAKE IT, SO I'M TIRED OF IT.

UHH!
THAT'S GREAT! YOU'D MAKE SUCH A GOOD WIFE, AYUMU-KYUN!
Marry me!

I JUST HELP MY MOM OUT, THOUGH...
WAIT, YOU DO HOUSE-WORK, AYUMU-KUN!?

AH! WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY SOME?
ARE YOU SURE!?
ぱくり。
(Crispy) Syakkiri Bomb!!
DELICIOUS ...!
THIS IS A LUNCH FILLED WITH FOOD MADE BY YOU WITH INGREDIENTS YOU PREPARED, AYUMU-KUN..♥
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AHHH! I WANNA EAT YOU, AYUMU-KUN!
I WANNA SWALLOW YOU WHOLE!!
UWAAA!
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キ!!
COME TO THINK OF IT, YOU ALWAYS QUICKLY GO HOME.
DO YOU HAVE THINGS TO DO?
Flustered...
UMM. WELL...
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HUH!?
I dug my own grave!
WHAT DO YOU DO? I wanna see!
AHH MY ... HOUSE IS FAR AWAY... AND I HELP OUT AT OUR SHOP, TOO.
REALLY! SO YOUR FAMILY RUNS A SHOP!
IN OTHER WORDS, INVITE HIM TO YOUR PLACE FIRST.
AND IF THINGS GO WELL...
BEFORE YOU ATTACK THE ENEMY'S TERRITORY, YOU SHOULD FIRST INVITE THEM OVER TO YOURS.
TO CAPTURE A TARGET,
HM?
WAKABA
Can that storm at school?
A heli-copter?
If that's decided, I'll go call a helicopter now, okay?
YOU... YOU'RE SO SMART, SOUICHI ...!
THAT DEVELOPMENT IS TOO SUDDEN!
your shower...?
Can I borrow
YOU'LL GET A SLEEPOVER EVENT!
TO BE CONTINUED

お助け巫女
Rescue Maiden MIKO
ミコちゃん
OTATSUKE MIKO MIKO-CHAN
CH. 4: RECRUITING!!
ALREADY FULLY A TRAP!?
HIROICHI

I'M AYUMU MIKO-SHIBA.
UMM...
A- A TRADING CARD AND A CHARM... WILL BE 1,200 YEN.
I'M WORKING AS MAGICAL GIRL MIKO-CHAN, THE IMAGE GIRL (?) FOR MIKOSHIBA SHRINE.
U-UM, CAN I SHAKE YOUR HAND!?
O-OKAY...
AND YOUR AUTO-GRAPH!
AUTO-GRAPH !? I don't have one.
MIKO-CHAN! YOU HAVE OUR SUPPORT!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR EVERY DAY.
WE'LL COME BY AGAIN!!
AND I'M THE ONLY SON OF THE MIKO-SHIBA FAMILY.
AT FIRST I WON-DERED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN.
WHEW!

CUSTOMERS STARTED TO INCREASE HERE AND THERE TO MY SURPRISE
TH-THIS IS HEAVY!
BUT THANKS (?) TO MY MOM AND DAD STARTING UP ON THEIR OWN
MIKOSHIBA SHRINE
PRETTY RESCUE GIRL MIKO-CHAN WILL GRANT ANY WISH YOU HAVE! PLEASE FEEL FREE TO COME FOR A CONSULTATION.
THE SALE OF PROMO ITEMS AND THE OFFICIAL SITE,
YOUR FANS CAME BY, SO JUST BE HAPPY ABOUT IT!
THAT'S TRUE...BUT I'M JUST DOING THIS FOR OUR SHRINE.
I'M HAPPY... BUT IT'S KIND OF COMPLI-CATED...
WHAT'S WITH THAT FACE?
GEEZ...
REALLY?
WH-WHAT!?

AHH...

AYUMU-KYUN LOOKS LIKE AN ANGEL WHEN HE'S ASLEEP...
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IS HE ALL RIGHT?
BUT STILL, RECENTLY HE'S BEEN LOOKING KIND OF TIRED
AHH He moved
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AHH!

THAT'S NOT ABBREVIATING.
OR PAN-CU FOR SHORT
HE'S PAN-ORAMICALLY CUTE
HE'S CUTE NO MATTER WHERE YOU LOOK AT HIM
AHH, HE'S SO CUTE
すぅー

HM?
KI-MURA-CCHI!?
WOW! MAKITA-KUN'S HERE, TOO.
COME TO THINK OF IT, WE WENT TO THE SAME JUNIOR HIGH!
WHO ARE YOU AGAIN?
HOW MEAN!
YOU DON'T REMEMBER MIKA!? WE WERE IN THE SAME CLASS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!
ACTUALLY, WE PLAYED A LOT!
AHH, I COM-PLETELY FOR...
YOU LOOK SO DIFFERENT THAT I DIDN'T NOTICE
YOU JUST SAID "FOR..." RIGHT!? YOU WERE GONNA SAY YOU FORGOT, RIGHT!?
SO, WHAT'S WITH THAT OUTFIT...?
TEH HEH! ☆

WE'RE THE MAID CLUB! MEOW!
AT YOUR SERVICE! MEOW! ♪
WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER MEMBERS?
R-RIGHT NOW, IT'S JUST ME...
I GUESS? MEOW! ♪
THAT'S NOT A RECOGNIZED CLUB
BUT YOU SAID "WE."
DON'T SAY THAT!

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MEETING YOU HERE IS SOME KIND OF FATE...

I SEE..
IF I CAN GATHER UP MEMBERS BY TODAY, IT'LL BE AN OFFICIAL CLUB!

SO PLEASE!

I SEE ..
HM?

EHHH?
HELP ME RECRUIT SOME MEM-BERS...!

I SEE...SO YOU HAVE ON EITHER AN APRON DRESS-TYPE MAID UNIFORM OR A FASHIONABLE DRESS WITH SOME LOLITA ELEMENTS MIXED IN...I CAN SEE A FOCUS ON THE LACE PORTIONS, BUT THE SOMEWHAT CHEAPNESS OF THE MATERIAL STANDS OUT, AND ABOVE ALL ELSE, YOU'D BE CRITICIZED AS A MAID FOR LACKING IN A DEVOTED ATTITUDE THAT CAN BE USED FOR YOUR MASTER. IT CAN'T BE HELPED, BUT AT THE MOMENT, IT'S MORE LIKE YOU'RE IN A COSPLAY CLUB AND
IT'S HERE! SOUICHI-SENSEI'S HARSH QUALITY CHECK!
HUH!? WHAT IS THIS!? IS HE ALWAYS LIKE THIS!?
He's telling me a lot of stuff!
NO, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN HIM SAY THIS MUCH.

A STRANG-ER...!!
A STRANG-ER! A STRANG-ER!

HUH?

AH! I'LL INTRODUCE YOU.
THIS IS MY CLASSMATE AYUMU-KUN.
HE'S MY SOMEWHAT SHY WIFE ♥
FOR NOW, THAT'S A LITTLE BESIDE THE POINT..
IS THIS OUR FIRST MEETING..?
?
BUT..
!
?
SO,
LET'S RECRUIT MEMBERS TOGETHER! ♥
!?
YEAH! YOU'RE GOOD...!
!!

WH-
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!? PUBLICALLY EXPOSING MY AYUMU-KYUN IN A MAID UNI-FORM IS
I THINK YOU'D DEFI-NITELY LOOK GOOD IN A MAID UNI-FORM!

WHA ...!?
?

MASTER... ALLOW ME... TO SERVE YOU AGAIN TONIGHT. ♥
ABSO-LUTE-LY...

WHAAAAT!?
LET'S DO IT!

HELPFUL ...
PLEASE!
I THINK YOU'D BE HELP-FUL...!
SOUICHI ...
HMM,
OH!
?
WE .. WE.. LL...
I'M... A BOY, YOU KNOW ...?
IS THAT STILL OKAY ...?
IS WHAT HE'S SAYING.
THAT'S TOTALLY OKAY!
I DIDN'T SAY THAT!!

CR-CROSS-DRESS-ING...
IS...
something "I do" but

I-I CAN'T DO THAT...!

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IT'S OKAY!

...
A.M. ids expertise!
Ta-da!
YOU'RE OKAY AS LONG AS NO ONE KNOWS, RIGHT?

HMM.
IT'S CUTER IF YOU HAVE A LITTLE VOLUME ON YOUR CHEST, SO I'LL GIVE YOU SOME PADS.
You're so thin!
PADS !?
WHAT'S YOUR CUP SIZE, AYUMU-KUN?
I DON'T HAVE ANY SIZE!
AH!
A-AM I...
GONNA WEAR THAT ...?
IT'S OKAY...
AH!
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NO...
THIS...
!
YOU'LL GET USED TO IT RIGHT AWAY!...
IS WEIRD ...!
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I GUESS THAT'S ABOUT IT
UHHH

COME TO THINK OF IT, I HAVEN'T WORN THE TOP PART BEFORE..
IT FEELS LIKE IT'S SQUEEZING ME AND IT'S UNCOM-FORTABLE...
HAA..
YEAH! YEAH! THAT LOOKS GOOD ON YOU!
ACTUALLY, YOU DON'T HAVE ONE BIT OF BODY HAIR!
No way!
AND YOUR SKIN'S SO PRETTY!
NOW THEN, YOU PROBABLY CAN'T PUT THEM ON BY YOUR-SELF, SO WE'LL HELP YOU OUT WITH IT ALL..
UH!
GYAA!!
Y-YOU LOOK...

PERFECT ...! YOU LOOK REALLY NICE ..!!
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YOU LOOK SO MUCH BETTER DRESSED LIKE THAT, AYUMUCCHI!
Ayumucchi?
AND YOUR EXPRESSIONS ARE SO LIVELY!
RIGHT, MAKITA-KUN!?
YEAH
D-DON'T STARE AT ME SO MUCH..

I-IT'S HERE! SOUICHI-SENSEI'S PERFECT SCORE OF TEN!!
WHAT'S THAT SUPP-OSED TO MEAN!?
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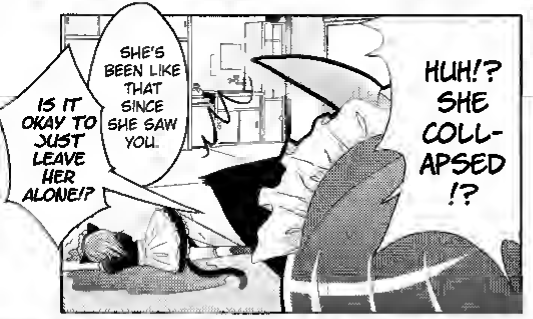
HUH!? SHE COLL-APSED !?
SHE'S BEEN LIKE THAT SINCE SHE SAW YOU.
IS IT OKAY TO JUST LEAVE HER ALONE!?

COME TO THINK OF IT, WHERE'S WAKABA ...?

IF IT'S ONLY.. FOR A LITTLE BIT.
YAAAY!

SO YOU'LL HELP ME
RECRUIT MEMBERS, RIGHT...!?
UH...

BUT NO ONE WILL KNOW IT'S YOU LIKE THIS,

WOW,
THAT WENT GREAT!
FROM HALFWAY THROUGH IT WAS LIKE A HANDSHAKING PARTY FOR AN IDOL.
THE POINT OF IT DID CHANGE.
ウォオー!!
BUT THANKS TO THAT, I GATHERED UP A LOT OF MEMBERS,
SO REALLY, THANK YOU!
AND THE ONE WHO SEEMED TO BE THE BUSIEST WAS
AYUMUCCHI!
GEEZ! I'M SO JEALOUS OF HIS POPULARITY!
He was a bit stiff though.
What class are you from!?
What grade are you in?
I'll join the club, so tell me your email!

UWAAAA! HE'S COVERED IN A NEGA-TIVE AURA!!
WHY DOES YOUR CHARACTER CHANGE LIKE THIS...?
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I...
I DON'T WANT TO TALK TO ANYONE ANYMORE ...
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REA-LLY, YOU WERE SO CUTE,
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HOW ABOUT YOU OFFICIALLY JOIN THE MAID CLUB, TOO?
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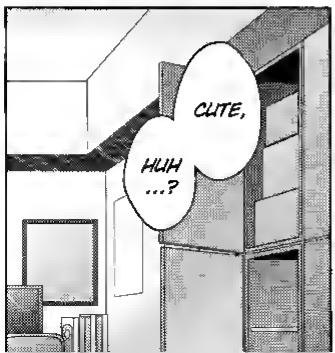
SO...

HAA...

YOU'RE SO CUTE, MIKO-CHAN!
YOU LOOK SO CUTE, AYUMU-CCHI!


CUTE,
HUH ...?

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D-DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA!
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M HAPPY OR ANYTHING!
DON'T JUST ADD A NARRATION!

YOU FELT THE RADIANCE AS AN IDOL AT THAT TIME, AYUMU...
HAVE CONFIDENCE IN YOURSELF!
I DON'T NEED CONFIDENCE LIKE THAT...

I CAN'T BELIEVE I WORE THAT AT SCHOOL...
YOU'VE NOTICEABLY UPPED YOUR SKILLS!

SO WHAT SHOULD I DO IF SOMEONE FINDS OUT ABOUT ME...?

LATELY THERE HAVE BEEN MORE PEOPLE COMING TO THE SHRINE TOO...

IS THERE SOME PROBLEM WITH THAT?
?
YES !!
CROSS-DRESSING AND CALLING YOURSELF A MAGICAL GIRL WOULD NORMALLY BE A PROBLEM!!
YOU'LL BE MORE OF A MAGICAL GIRL WITH THAT KIND OF GIMIC!
YOU'RE BEING SO COOP-ERATIVE NOW, AYUMU
THAT'S NOT THE POINT..
BESIDES, DON'T MAGICAL GIRLS HAVE TO NORMALLY PROTECT THEIR IDENTITY!?
I SEE
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GEEZ...
I'M TIRED,
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SO I'M GOING TO SLEEP!
HMPF!

HA!
HA!
HA!
HA!
HA!
HAA!
HA!
MIKOS
SHRI
MIKO-SHIBA
PRETTY RESCUE
MIKO-CHAN
SHRINE ...?
...?

HAS HIS IDENTITY FINALLY BEEN...!?
TO BE CONTINUED

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CH.5: PURSUIT!
YOUR ORDER... IS ME!?
HIROICHI

DONE!
UHH...
D-
DON'T
...
IT'S
OKAY
I'LL BE
GENTLE
OW...
OW
...!
STAY
GOOD STILL
NICE
BOY
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THERE!

I KNOW! LET'S GO BUY SOME CLOTHES TOGETHER NEXT TIME THAT'LL SUIT YOU!
YOU CAN TALK NORMALLY WHEN YOU CROSS-DRESS, AFTER ALL!
ABSO-LUTELY NOT!
I THOUGHT IT WOULD DEFI-NITELY SUIT YOU
BUT YOU'RE MEGA MEGA CUTE!!
AND YOU'RE PERFECT FOR MY SIZE
I FEEL SO CON-FUSED ...
RIGHT, SOUICHI !!?
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N... NO WAY!
IT WOULD BE ODD EVEN IF HE DID...
I CAN'T BELIEVE SOUICHI-SENSEI ISN'T REACTING TO THIS OVER-POWERING CUTE-NESS!!

YES?

MAKI-TA!

AHH, HE LOOKS LIKE AN UPPER-CLASSMAN FROM THE TRACK CLUB
A TOURNA-MENT IS COMING UP, AFTER ALL
TRACK CLUB!? TOURNA-MENT!?

WHO'S THAT...?

PRODIGY
!!?
BY THE WAY, HE MADE IT TO THE NATIONALS IN A JUNIOR TOURNAMENT AND EVEN AMONG THE OTHERS IN THE CLUB HERE, HE'S ALREADY IN THE ACE CLASS

NO.. I HAVE SOME IMPORTANT BUSINESS
WELCOME BACK. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO YOUR CLUB?

WOW. I NEVER KNEW THAT...

TODAY'S THE DAY THE NEW VOLUME OF MY FAVORITE (LIGHT NOVEL) SERIES COMES OUT...!
HEALTH AND BOYS ED 101
THAT'S YOUR BUSI-NESS!?

...
I'M NOT. INTER-ESTED
HUH !?

UMM
I HEARD A TOUR-NAMENT IS COMING UP

IT'S NOT A NORMAL NEW VOLUME
IT'S A SPECIAL EDITION WITH A DIFFERENT COVER AND COMES WITH A BD
O... KAY ...?

Games
Fan books
Concerts
Figures
I SEE...
THERE ARE A LOT OF EVENTS ON THE WEEKEND, AFTER ALL...

HMM, HOW ODD...
WA-KABA-CHAN?

BYE-BYE!
BYE.

HE'S BUT KIND OF ... DIFFERENT FROM HOW HE USUALLY IS...

I CAN'T BELIEVE EVEN AT THE END SOUICHI HAD NO REACTION TO YOU DRESSED LIKE THIS!!
THAT'S NORMAL ...
For a guy

WELL IN ANY CASE, HE'S PROBABLY TRYING TO BE NICE TO THE UPPER-CLASSMEN
HUH?
THIS'LL BE THE LAST TIME FOR SOME OF THE UPPER-CLASS-MEN.
SO HE PROBABLY THINKS HE SHOULDN'T TAKE THEIR PLACE AS A FIRST-YEAR
AND YET THAT UPPER-CLASSMAN CAME TO PERSUADE HIM LIKE THAT.
He can be so flippant!
HE'S ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT.
I SEE...
I..
I HAVE TO GET HOME!
YOU'RE GOING HOME LIKE THAT?
WAAAA!
SO,

I ENDED UP DRESSING LIKE THIS...
BUT!
IT'S PERFECT FOR TAILING SOMEONE!
REALLY ..?
SOUICHI WAS DEFINITELY ODD TODAY!
I...I HAVE TO HELP HIM!
Hero spirit!
IF THERE'S SOMETHING GOING ON..
THIS IS...

WHAA !?
Y-YOU'RE U-UM, SO CAN I CUTE TAKE A PIC-TURE? ...
Heal
Heal
EH !?
EXCUSE ME!
THE ELEC-TRONICS DIS-TRICT?
HE WAS GOING TO BUY A BOOK, RIGHT?
CAN I TAKE ONE, TOO!?
U-UM!
ARE YOU A JAPAN-ESE STYLE MAGICAL GIRL?
YOUR STAFF AND COSTUME ARE REALLY WELL-MADE!
DID YOU MAKE THEM YOUR-SELF?
PLEASE LOOK OVER HERE, TOO!
I
AND SHE'S BOY-ISH TOO!
THOSE TYPES OF GIRLS ARE NICE, TOO!
A-ALL THESE PEOPLE HAVE GATHERED AROUND ME...
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
AH!
HE'S GET-TING AWAY!
EX-EXCUSE ME! UNTIL NEXT TIME!
I'LL BE WAITING HERE!!
SO SHE WAS A SALES-GIRL?
WE'LL COME SEE YOU!

YOU'VE IMPROVED TO THE POINT WHERE YOU PROPERLY LEFT SOME FLYERS!
YOU'RE RIGHT.
It's become a habit.
HAA...
I WAS ABLE TO GET AWAY SOMEHOW.

Ah!
WHERE'S SOUICHI?

Thank you very much!
SOMETIMES...
HE KIND OF GIVES OFF A REALLY ENTHUSIASTIC AURA...
OH!
IT LOOKS LIKE HE GOT WHAT HE CAME FOR.

AH...!
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!?
THE MER-CHAN-DISE ....!
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Ah!

AS EXPECTED OF SOME-ONE WHO PLAYS SPORTS...!

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SO NOW HE'S JUST GOING HOME...?
IN THE END, ALL HE DID WAS SHOP...
HAA...IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S DONE

WH-WHAT THE !?
WAS SOUICHI'S HOUSE THIS WAY!?
FOL-LOW HIM FOR NOW!
!!
WHOA!
WAIT ...!
WAI ...
HUH ...?
THIS IS ..

OUR SHRINE ...?
OH! WELCOME!
HAVE YOU GOTTEN ANY NEW PRODUCTS?
YES, WE HAVE IT'S RARE TO SEE YOU AROUND THIS TIME
I GOT PAID IN THE EVENING.
HE NORMALLY BUYS STUFF!
Ah!
I'D LIKE TO USE THE POINTS I SAVED UP ON A SMALL MIKO-CHAN!
HE SEEMS TO HAVE THE COMPLETE SET!

THE PRAYER BOARDS...?
HUH...?
HUH? SO HE'S KNOWN ABOUT IT FOR A WHILE!? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN!?
THAT DOESN'T MEAN HE KNOWS IT'S ME, RIGHT!?
I hope we get to go to the inter- high school tournament
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WAS A LIE!
I KNEW IT...NOT BEING INTERESTED IN THE TOURNAMENT...
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IF THAT'S THE CASE...
I CAN HEAR...
A VOICE ASKING FOR HELP
WHEN YOU'RE IN TROU-BLE,
I'LL ALWAYS COME TO HELP YOU!

RESUCE MIKO-CHAN
HAS ARRIVED!
パアアア...!

THANKS. I WANT TO DIE.
I wish I had prepared a camera!
YOU'VE CAPTIVATED ME!
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AH, YOU'RE BACK! THAT WAS AMAZING!
THAT WAS VERY MAGICAL GIRLISH!

HE GAVE ME A REACTION!!
THE REAL MIKO-CHAN ...!

THE ...

AH! I KNOW!

I CAME OUT WITH A LOT OF ENERGY... BUT WHAT SHOULD I DO?
U-UMM, UMM...

PLEASE WEAR THAT AND PARTICIPATE
A-AND SO.
U-UM, THAT'S A SAMPLE OF A VICTORY HEADBAND WE'RE GOING TO BE SELLING SOON!
We're selling them with pop-up ears and glow sticks!
THIS...
HERE! TAKE THIS!
Headband. Victory
IN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT!

U-UMM,
H... HUH ...?

COME TO THINK OF IT, IS IT STRANGE THAT I KNOW ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT!? IT'S STRANGE, RIGHT!?
I...I USED MY MAGICAL POWERS TO UM...
I MEAN, I WANT TO BE YOUR
YOU!
SUP-PORT!!
...UM,
I'LL TAKE ONE.
AH, OKAY.. THAT'LL BE 800 YEN..
HE IGNORED ME!
WELL, I GUESS IT'S OKAY IF HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT IT.

AH...
キュッ
I HOPE I'LL GET TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT
SOUICHI MAKITA
O...
OKAY ...!
THANKS.
I'LL GIVE IT A SHOT.
GOOD LUCK..

!!?
Oh my.
UMAI

I'LL SHOW UP TO THE CLUB
WELL THEN,
SOMETHING SOMEWHAT UNEXPECTED HAS HAPPENED ...!?
EH?
EH?
KIDS THESE DAYS ARE SO ASSERTIVE
OH MY!
EHHH-HHHH-HHHH-HHHH-HHH!?
TO BE CONTINUED

HAA...
シャアアア
UWAA?
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UHH...

お助け巫女 ミコちゃん

Rescue Maiden MIKO

OTASUKE MIKO MIKO-CHAN

CH. 6: GETTING CLOSER!

HIROICHI

UHH...
WH-WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
MY HEAD CAN'T KEEP UP WITH IT AT ALL..
IT'S NO TIME TO BE FLUSTERED YET
IN FACT, ROMANTIC COMEDY DEVELOPMENTS GO WITH THE TERRITORY OF BEING A MAGICAL GIRL!
I'M NOT OKAY WITH IT!
AT THIS RATE...

WAAA!
A FOR-BIDDEN LOVE IS GOING TO BEGIN!
Ah...
CALM DOWN, AYUMU!
AND YOUR VISUAL IS TOO INCOMPRE-HENSIBLE!
AHH... BUT DOES SOUICHI NOT KNOW IT'S ME?
THEN IT'LL BE OKAY IF I ACT NATURAL AT SCHOOL!
AND HE HAS CLUB ACTIVITIES AFTER SCHOOL, TOO!
IT'S TIME TO TEST MY ACTING ABILITY AS A MAGICAL GIRL!
YOU'RE STARTING TO REALLY FLUFF UP THE DEFINITION OF A MAGICAL GIRL

WERE YOU OKAY YESTERDAY?
I'M SOR-
ガッ
YOU LOOKED LIKE YOU JUST STOOD THERE ALL STIFF
...
U... UMM, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ...?
I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D SAY THAT AFTER MAKING THIS POSTURE.

I OFTEN PASS BY THERE WHILE JOGGING.
EVEN TO A PLACE LIKE THAT!?

Y-Y... YOU KNEW...
ABOUT THAT...?

BUT UNTIL I SAW YOU IN PERSON AND TALKED TO YOU,
I WASN'T SURE.

WHOAAA!
THAT YOU'RE A MAGICAL GIRL!
P-PLEASE KEEP THIS..
DON'T WORRY. I DON'T PLAN ON TELLING ANYONE

I WAS HONESTLY SURPRISED WHEN I FOUND OUT YOU CAME FROM PLANET MIKO MIKO
HUH!?
IS THAT ANIMAL YOUR FAMILIAR?
FAM-ILIAR!?
I GUESS YOU'LL HAVE TO RETURN TO PLANET MIKO MIKO IS YOU'RE FOUND OUT.
THE BACK-STORY IS INCREA-SING!!
TH-TH-THEN THAT... KI-
KI-
-SS WAS...
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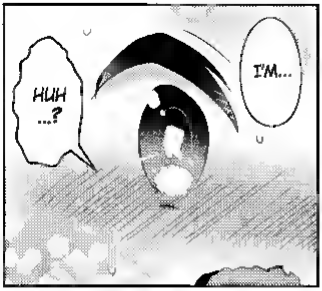
I'M...
HUH ...?

AYUMU,

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GOOD MORNING, AYUMU-KYUN!

HEY!

IN FACT, I CAME TO SCHOOL WITH YOU, KIMURA-CCHI!
YEAH!
HUH? YOU WERE HERE?
MIKA'S HERE, TOO!

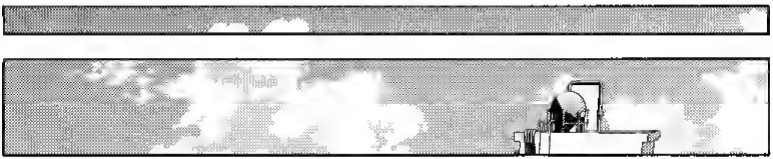
GOOD MORNING TO YOU TOO, SOUICHI!
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE SUDDENLY WORKING HARD DURING YOUR CLUB
WHY IS THAT? DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?

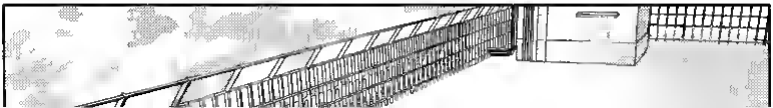
Eh-hem!
I HAVE AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR YOU ALL TODAY.
SO,
AT THIS TIME,
ぽーん
THE MAID CLUB HAS RESTARTED AS THE DRESSING-UP CLUB!
WAY TO GO, MIKA-CHAN!
TH... THERE WERE CREATIVE DIFFERENCES, SO..
WHAT ABOUT BEING A MAID?
DOES THAT MEAN YOUR CLUB WAS ABOLISHED?
...

WH... WHOA...
SO I'M RIGHT BACK WHERE I STARTED.
I DIDN'T REALLY KNOW WHAT I SHOULD DO..
SO EVERY-ONE QUIT WHILE I WAS RUNNING AROUND
HUH !?
BUT THE GUYS AIMING FOR AYUMU-CCHI QUIT RIGHT AWAY
IF ALL OF YOU JOIN THE DRESSING-UP CLUB
WAIT, KIMURA-CCHI..!
DON'T DRAG US INTO IT WITHOUT ASKING US!
SO... LET'S ALL BE IN THE DRESSING-UP CLUB NOW AND DO OUR BEST!
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE AYUMUCCHI LOOK LIKE THIS AND THAT!
Things you wouldn't see him doing as a maid!!

Being part of a club is required at least

↑ In the Tea Ceremony Club at least

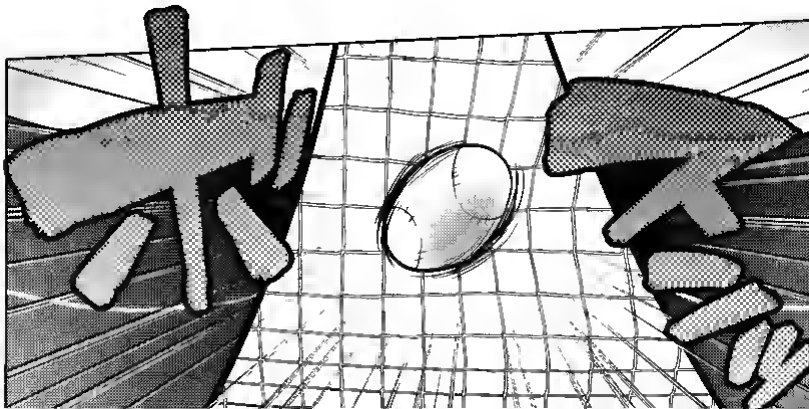




HAA. I'M STARTING NOT TO CARE ANYMORE ABOUT A LOT OF STUFF..
SO YOU'RE GOING TO KEEP THINGS AS THEY ARE?

I HAVE TO DO WHAT I CAN... IN MY OWN WAY.

...NO,
I CAN'T DO THAT.



HMM...
NOT BAD...
ALL RIGHT...

GO!
THERE!
カキーン
I'LL END UP THE BEST AT ANYTHING I DO!
EH HEH! I'M STAND-ING OUT...♪
WHO'S THAT TINY GIRL ...?
WOW ...
I'M
AN IDOL, AFTER ALL!♪

SOU-
ICHI
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MIKO...
CHAN?

I CAN'T USE MAGIC.
THIS IS...
A ME THAT EVERYONE DOESN'T KNOW YET.
BUT IT'S STILL A PART OF WHO I AM.
AHH...
…

H-HEY!
YOU'RE SO CUTE...
DON'T SAY IT OVER AND OVER AGAIN!
NO WAY.. YOU'RE SO CUTE..
IS THIS REAL ...?
AHH... YOU'RE SO CUTE...
I WANTED YOU TO SEE THE REALITY OF IT...
!
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Haa!
Haa!
Haa!
I CAN'T BELIEVE I'D FIND SOMETHING 3-D THIS CUTE...!!
THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE WORRYING ABOUT!?

I'M AYUMU! I'M A GUY!!
S-SO! YOU UNDER-STAND, RIGHT!?
YEAH,

I...I THOUGHT HE WAS GOING TO CONFESS TO ME...
ガーン

YOU'RE A PRECIOUS FRIEND OF MINE, AYUMU.
!

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD HIM SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
SO THIS HAS NEVER HAPPENED BEFORE
SWITCH-OVER FROM 2-D TO 3-D IS BUILDING INSIDE ME.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY IT LIKE IT'S SOME KIND OF SPELL...
BUT WHEN I SEE YOU UP CLOSE,
WHOAAAA!!
You're so cute!
WHAAAT...!? ARE YOU... OKAY!?

URGH...
IN THE END, I HAVE EVEN LESS AN IDEA OF WHAT'S GOING ON...
COME TO THINK OF IT, I FEEL LIKE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE BEEN ABLE TO HEAR HIM SPEAK SO DIRECTLY.
Y-YEAH... HMM...
IT'S OKAY. JUST BE HAPPY ABOUT IT.
HAPPY ABOUT THAT...
I WAS A LITTLE...

FOR SOUICHI...
W-WHY WOULD YOU SUG-GEST THAT!?
!?
THEN JUST GET CLOSE TO HIM
THAT'S THE WAY HE LIKES ME!
HE'S LIKE THE PEOPLE WHO ALWAYS COME TO THE SHRINE...
THAT'S WHAT...I WANT TO KNOW...
WAA!!
THEN THAT KI...

HUH?
UM, ARE YOU...

THE TWO OF US WERE ALL-OUT TALKING...
How embarrassing...!
AH... WHAT IS IT?
OH MY... SOME-ONE WAS HERE!

Smile!

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TO BE CONTINUED

HUH...?
I FINALLY FOUND...
A PERSON !!
GYAAAAA !!

VOLUME 1 IS NOW ON SALE WITH RAVE REVIEWS!!

UHH...
THERE'S NO ONE AROUND HERE AT ALL...
I THOUGHT I HAD BEEN STRANDED...
IF GHOSTS COME OUT, I'M GONNA TOTALLY HATE YOU..
I'M THE ONE WHO THOUGHT YOU WERE A GHOST...
THANK YOU, UNFAMILIAR JAPANESE...
YOU'RE JAPANESE TOO, RIGHT...?

IN FRONT OF THE HACHIKOU STATUE.
HOW DID SHE ARRIVE AT A PLACE LIKE THIS...?
UMM... WHERE WERE YOU TRYING TO GET TO?
UMM, THIS IS WHERE WE ARE...
AND THE NEAREST STATION IS HERE.
UMM .. THAT'S FAIRLY... ACTUALLY, REALLY FAR AWAY..
REA-LLY?
I GUESS IT'D TAKE ABOUT TWO HOURS TO GET TO SHIBUYA BY TRAIN...
P-P-PARDON !?

SO THAT I COULD MAKE MY MAGNIFICENT DEBUT AS A TRANSFER STUDENT,
I CAME BACK FROM AMERICA ON PURPOSE AT A TIME LIKE THIS..
ARE YOU SERIOUS!? WE'RE IN TOKYO, RIGHT!?
EVEN IF YOU SAY THAT..
BESIDES,
RE! WAS WONDERING THIS FOR A WHILE,
SO WHY AM I LOST DEEP IN THE MOUNTAINS LIKE THIS, ?
UMM, I'M SORRY...
BUT WHY ARE YOU DRESSED LIKE A GIRL DESPITE BEING A BOY?
She...She...
HUH?

CURRENTLY EXPLAINING

It's so nice to have met you!
MIKO! OR HOW ABOUT MIKOMIKO!
YOU ENDED UP MAKING IT LONGER, THOUGH!!
ACTUALLY, WHAT ARE THOSE CLOTHES?
ARE THEY FOR A JAPANESE PRINCESS? REI HAD THOUGHT THEY LOOKED SO CUTE!!
HUH?
REI WANTS TO WEAR THEM TOO!
WHA !?

WAA, !?
AND YOUR PANTIES ARE CHILDISH, TOO.
HUH ...!?
HMM,
IN REI'S CASE,
I AIM FOR ONES THAT ARE GIRLIER, FLUFFIER AND MORE POPULCUTE!
YOU'RE HIP, YOUNG AND NEATO!
GIRLY FLUFFY POPU... H-HIP... ???
YEAH!

JUST LIKE REI!♪
Ah hem!
BY THE WAY, MY PANTIES ARE CUTE, TOO!
ぺろーん
YOU DON'T HAVE TO SHOW ME!
WAIT,
だら
JUST NOW... I FEEL LIKE...
だら
REI...KUN? YOU'RE A BOY...?
THAT'S RIGHT!

※ Afterward, Rei-kun got his dad to send a car

NOOOO!!
HE'S ALIVE.
AYUMU-CCHI'S DEAD..!
WHOA!
BUT AYUMU'S NORMALLY BAD AT BEING IN FRONT OF PEOPLE,
SO HE DOESN'T STAND A CHANCE COMING TO A PLACE LIKE THIS.
ちーん。
WHAT!?
THEN WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO!?
OUR CLUB ACTIVITIES ARE THE LEAST OF OUR PROBLEMS!
NN...

AH, HE'S AWAKE.
ズビビッ
WAAA?
ぱちっ☆
Well..
IN ANY CASE, THIS IS GONNA BE A PROBLEM ...
WHOA-AAAA!
There are tons of people!
HMM ..
THERE-FORE,
SO YOU'LL AT LEAST BE CROSS-DRESSING DURING CLUB ACTIVITIES!
THAT WAY, YOU'LL OVERCOME YOUR COMMUNICATION PROBLEM!
WHAAAT!?
にぱぁ
WE'RE GOING TO BUY AYUMUCCHI SOME CUTE GIRL'S CLOTHING TODAY!

ぽん。
OH MY GOSH! YOU'RE SO CUTE!
THAT'S AN ORDER FROM THE ONE WITH THE HIGHEST AUTHORITY.
BUT MIKA'S THE CLUB PRESIDENT!
LET'S GRADUALLY SWITCH OVER TO THINGS THAT ARE MORE EXTREME!
EXTREME !?
YOU DON'T FEEL THAT RELUCTANT IF YOU'RE WEARING CULOTTES, RIGHT!?

SINCE WHEN HAS HE BEEN HOLDING ALL THOSE SEEDY BAGS?
WHOAAA! HE'S SO REST-LESS...
Glance...
BUT IT'S CERTAINLY TRUE THAT SEEING YOU OUTSIDE UNDER THE BLUE SKY IS WONDER-FUL...!
I-I'M JUST DOING THIS DURING
THE CLUB, SO...
Haa!
RIGHT?
ARE YOU STARTING TO FEEL SOME-THING?
AHH... THAT'S NICE. YOU SAY YOU DON'T LIKE IT, BUT... YOU'RE FEELING IT,
DON'T WORRY. IT'LL BE LEGAL IF YOU'LL BE MY WIFE..
FUEEE...
Haa!

WAKABA,
THE LIGHT'S GREEN.
OHH!
.....
THIS IS THE SAME
AS IT'S ALWAYS BEEN... RIGHT?
Wait up!
AH!

GYAAAAA!
キーーン
AHH, IT'S MIKO!
MIKO-MIKO!!

レベル
SHE'S UM... A RETURNEE GIRL
SO SHE UM... CALLS ME BY A UNIQUE NICK-NAME
キュン...

HUH? DO YOU KNOW HER? BUT SHE CALLED YOU MIKO..?
AH, WE MET RECENTLY WHEN SHE GOT LOST IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AROUND MY HOUSE..
Hug!

TSK TSK TSK...

DOO
YAAA!!
.....
NOT THAT YOU HAD TO MAKE THAT CLEAR.
I'M NOT A RETURNEE GIRL, I'M A RETURNEE GUY!

YOU'RE SO CUTE!
HUH!? YOU'RE A BOY!?

Ah!

WHOA!
Again!!
WANNA SEE THE PROOF?

DON'T LOOK!
HMM, I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S RIGHT OR WRONG IN THIS CASE...

WHAT!?
SERI-OUSLY!?
THAT'S OUR SCHOOL...
HUH?
THAT UNIFORM... IT'S FROM MINAMIOUJI ACADEMY...
HE WAS FROM OUR SCHOOL...
AND HE'S OLDER!?
THE GIRLS FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION WEAR A BLAZER, AFTER ALL.
AH HEM!
BUT I DON'T FEEL LIKE IT WAS ANYTHING LIKE THIS, THOUGH.

LOOK!
REI PERSONALLY ARRANGED IT TO LOOK ALL CUTIE WOOTIE, AFTER ALL!
THE GUY'S UNIFORM FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION IS TOTALLY LAME, TOO!
BUT,
REI IS REALLY CUTE,
SO I'M GONNA BECOME AN IDOL SUPER QUICKLY,
AND WEAR WAY WAY CUTER CLOTHES!
...

WHAT'S WITH THIS CONCEITED BRAT?
SHI-GYAPI!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!? AREN'T YOU BEING HARSH!?
WELL... YOU HAVE TO STERNLY TELL OFF KIDS WHO ARE BEHAVING BADLY
YOU DIDN'T TELL ME OFF! THAT WAS A COMPLETE PHYSICAL ATTACK! AND I'M IN HIGH SCHOOL!!
THAT DOESN'T MATTER!
STOP IT!!

WHAT!?
ARE YOU GONNA BE WEARING TONS OF CLOTHES!? I WANNA DO IT TOO!
WHAT'S THAT?
GEEZ! THIS IS OUR FIRST TIME OUT AS THE DRESSING-UP CLUB, SO LET'S DO IT ALREADY!
DRESS-ING-UP CLUB ?
YOU HEARD HIM, INCON-SPICU-OUS PREZ.
YOU'RE SO MEAN!
W-WELL ...
IT'S GREAT THAT WE'LL HAVE ANOTHER MEMBER...
AH, B-BUT ..
REI-KUN IS IN HIGH SCHOOL.

YAY!
WHEN A CLUB DOESN'T HAVE MANY MEMBERS, THE JUNIOR-HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL DIVISIONS ARE AUTOMATICALLY COMBINED
THE TEA CEREMONY CLUB WAS LIKE THAT, TOO
!!
WHAT'S YOUR FULL NAME?
YOU'VE BEEN CALLING YOURSELF REI ALL THIS TIME
HUH? COME TO THINK OF IT,
RE...REI'S AMERICAN, SO I DON'T HAVE A SURNAME...
AND I ONLY HAVE A MIDDLE NAME...
YOU HAVE A LAST NAME, RIGHT?

REON YAMADA ...
SHOCK!
DON'T LOOK IN MY BAG WITH-OUT ASK-ING!

RE...
レ〜ぉ...

REI ISN'T YAMADA!
MY REAL NAME IS SQUALL LEON HEART!!
THERE'S NO WAY THAT'S TRUE!
ズー
HMM...
YOU REALLY ARE A GUY... And a first-year in high school

WELL, WHATEVER.
I KNOW WHO YOU ARE,
SO LET'S HAVE A GOOD TIME, YAMADA!
URGH... DON'T CALL ME YAMADA...
SO,
NOW THINGS ARE EVEN LIVLIER.
THE DRESSING-UP CLUB SOMEHOW GOT FIVE MEMBERS.
IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A MISTAKE TO TELL HIM ALL THAT YESTER-DAY...
HELP ME, MIKO-MIKO!
TO BE CONTINUED

OTASUKE MIKO MIKO-CHAN
HEY AYUMU!
WAKE UP!
WHA ...?
YOU'RE HEAVY..
AND IT'S SATURDAY TODAY...
JUST GET CHANGED AND GET OUT THERE!
IT'S NOT LIKE ANYONE'S HERE YET..

HUH ...?
!!?
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HIROICHI

WE'RE OUT OF CLEAR FILES!
WHAT ABOUT THE PHOTO BOOKS!?
WE'RE STILL GOOD.
THE EARLY SUMMER ADVANCE SET IS AVAILABLE FOR THE NEXT 80 PEOPLE IN LINE.
AND AT THE SAME TIME, WHEN WE SELL OUT OF SOMETHING, THE SALES CHART IS COLLECTED.
ALL RIGHT!

THANKS FOR COMING.
WE HAVE NOVELTY FANS.
WE EVEN HAVE SOUICHI HERE FOR SOME REASON!
AND HE'S REALLY FAMILIAR WITH THIS!!
IT...IT'S SO HOT!

RECAP

AYUMU A TRAP WHO SECRETLY WORKS AS A MAGICAL GIRL HAD BEEN WORRING ABOUT HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS FRIEND SOUICHI WHO KISSED HIM IN THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT BUT ?

YOU KNOW THAT FEELING, DAD!?
MAN... THIS FEELING IS SO NOSTALGIC.
IT'S THE EXCITEMENT OF A CROWD.
OHH...!
IS SHE REALLY IN JUNIOR HIGH!?
PLEASE LOOK THIS WAY!!
YOU'RE SO CUTE!
AH!
MIKO-CHAN!
I GOT HER TEARY-EYED!
HER TIMID APPEARANCE IS ALSO NICE..!
WH...

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WHAT IS GOING ON...?
WE'VE SOLD OUT OF EVERY-THING TODAY!
THE SITE WILL BE UPDATED
WITH NEWS ABOUT THE ARRIVAL OF NEW ITEMS!

GOOD WORK TODAY
URGH... MY WHOLE BODY HURTS...
UH...

UM...
WHY IS THIS HAPPEN-ING...?
I DON'T REALLY KNOW MYSELF,

ISN'T THE NET AMAZING !?

BUT IT SEEMS LIKE A BUNCH OF FLYERS HAVE GONE AROUND THE ELECTRIC TOWN,
AND IT SEEMS LIKE PEOPLE CAME IN GROUPS OF TWOS AND THREES.
IT ALSO SEEMS LIKE WE'RE A HOT TOPIC ON THE INTERNET AS A HIDDEN FAMOUS PLACE.

ELECTRIC TOWN...

Please come by!
I must say,
It came as quite a surprise to me.
At that time!?

※Chapter 5

Excuse me,
カラ…

So you're aware of that...
So many came because of those flyers.

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Ah, Makita-kun.
The bath is free.

I'M SORRY FOR HAVING TO BORROW A CHANGE OF CLOTHES, TOO.
IT'S OKAY, THEY'RE MY HUSBAND'S, SO MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME.
OH YEAH...
WHY IS SOUICHI HERE!?
HE'S GOING TO BE COMING BY EVERY WEEKEND IN THE MORNING.
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HUH!?

AYUMU IS HERE IN THE MORNING ON THE WEEKEND, TOO.
WELL...
BUT, YOU SHOULD HAVE JUST SAID SOMETHING SINCE YOU'RE HIS CLASS-MATE.
I USUALLY DO SELF-TRAINING AS IT IS,
SO I'D FEEL SORRY IF I WAS IN THE WAY.
OH MY, YOU'RE SO CONSID-ERATE
HE MAY BE LIKE THIS, BUT GET ALONG WITH HIM, OKAY?
WH...
SINCE YOU'RE HERE, SIT DOWN AND EAT WITH US.
WH...

WELL,

THAT'S BECAUSE THE MAGICAL GIRL GENRE DOESN'T STAY IN ONE PLACE NOWADAYS.

WHY...!?

IT DEALS WITH CHANGE,
AND THERE'S CONFLICT IN MAINTAINING WHAT SHOULD BE PROTECTED.
YES,
BUT I THINK YOU'VE ARRIVED AT A VERY GOOD PLACE IN REGARDS TO THE CURRENT SUBCULTURE MARKET.

THESE TWO
.....

ARE KIND OF SIMILAR ...!
THEY'RE REALLY INTO THIS CONVERSATION...

YOU'VE WONDERFULLY GRASPED THE HEARTS OF CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE SPROUTED AN AFFINITY FOR AN EASY-GOING AND LOCAL FEELING
I MUST SAY...
YOU HAVE A GOOD EYE AND SKILLS.
JUST WHAT I'D EXPECT FROM A FREQUENT CUSTOMER FROM THE START

YOUR FATHER WAS A GROUPIE OF MINE WHEN I WAS DOING WHAT YOU'RE DOING NOW.
WHEN I LOOK AT SOUICHI-KUN, IT BRINGS BACK MEMORIES OF YOUR FATHER WHEN HE WAS YOUNGER.
!?
HAA...
AND I ENDED UP FEELING DRAWN TO HIM LITTLE BY LITTLE,
HE WAS SO INTENSE...
OH MY, IS IT THIS LATE ALREADY?
I DON'T NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THAT!
SO HE MARRIED INTO MY FAMILY

HUH ...?
!?
SINCE YOU'RE HERE, STAY OVER IN AYUMU'S ROOM.
WELL, I'LL JUST PRETEND THAT I DIDN'T SEE THAT HAPPEN.☆
WAAAA!

WHAT IS GOING ON!?
The rest is in the wash...
WAIT,
Out of the 5th Pajamas Sleepover event
WIN
WHEN DID SHE BUY THIS...?
IT'S NO GOOD ...
...
S... SORRY, MY MOM...
NO... I DON'T MIND..

I CAN'T HELP BUT REMEMBER IT WHEN WE'RE ALONE!

I
WON'T DO THAT
SO DON'T WORRY.
...
ANY-MORE,

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NO,
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT!
HUH?
UH... I'M SORRY
!
!?
Y-YOU SEE, I...

I'VE BEEN A COWARD SINCE I WAS SMALL,
AND I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO GET STRONGER
L-LIKE A HERO...
SO I DIDN'T LIKE DRESSING UP LIKE THIS,
AND I ALSO HAD MIXED FEELINGS ABOUT BEING TOLD IT SUITED ME,
B... BUT,
B-BEFORE,
WHEN YOU TOLD ME I LOOKED CUTE,
I THINK IT MADE ME

HAPPY
...I GUESS.

I-IS THAT... WEIRD?
S-SO! IT'S NOT LIKE I WAS WORRIED!
I-I'M SORRY...
SO!
……
JUST LIKE YOU'RE DOING YOUR BEST, I'M GOING TO DO MY BEST, TOO!
WILL YOU SUPPORT ME…?
……
OF COU-RSE.

Headband. Victory

AHH!
I FINALLY FEEL BETTER NOW THAT THAT GLOOMY FEELING IS GONE!
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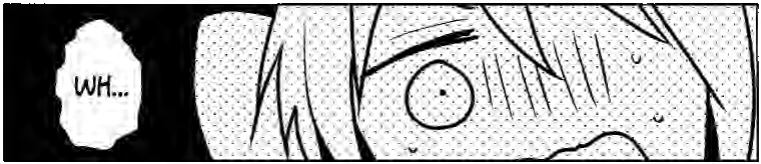
YEP.
WH-WHAT ...?
BUT AT THIS RATE, I'M WORRIED THAT WE'LL BE SHORT-HANDED FOR THE TIME BEING
YEAH, AND I FEEL BAD ABOUT ONLY GETTING SOUICHI TO COME...
IF YOU NEED A HAND, I HAVE FIVE!
すっ!!
!?

YAHO!
WOW! YOU'RE ADORABLE! YOU LOOK JUST LIKE A CHARACTER FROM AN ANIME!
I'VE MADE MY OWN CLOTHES, TOO!
I'M GONNA BE AN IDOL, AFTER ALL!



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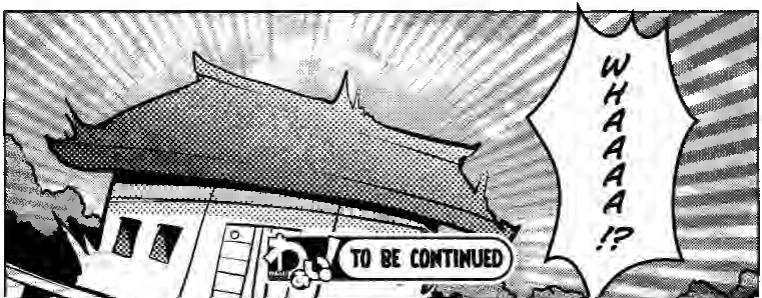

SINCE THAT INCIDENT.
LIKE WE'VE BEEN SAYING,
...
AND SHUT MYSELF AWAY IN MY ROOM...
IN THE END, ONCE THEY FOUND OUT I WAS CROSS-DRESSING, I RAN AWAY AT FULL SPEED,
UH!
UWEH...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT IT SO MUCH!
IN FACT, IT'S OUR FAULT FOR SUDDENLY GOING OVER THERE TO HANG OUT.
BUT,
BUT...
OTASUKE MIKO MIKO-CHAN
CH. 9: ATTACK!
HIROICHI

SO IT'S NATURAL FOR YOU TO HAVE THINGS YOU DON'T WANT TO TELL US,
DON'T CALL ME YAMADA!
WE ONLY JUST RECENTLY MET YOU AND YAMADA,
LEAVING ASIDE THE FACT THAT US THREE WENT TO THE SAME GRADE SCHOOL,

BUZZ AROUND A
ITE JUNIOR HIGH SHRINE
MAIDEN IDOL
UH...
Didn't know
BESIDES, WITH IT ALL OVER THE NET, IT WOULDN'T STAY A SECRET.

O-
OKAY...
AND WHAT'S MORE, WE'RE NOT GONNA TEASE YOU, EITHER.

THAT I'M GROSS?
BUT... YOU DON'T THINK...
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AH, BUT,
In fact, they've dressed him up before
DITTO!
He's a little too into it...
NOT AT ALL!

I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IT WAS A SECRET.
Actually, why were you hiding it?
TH-THAT WAS BY ACCIDENT ...!
I'M A LITTLE JEALOUS THAT ONLY SOUICHI AND YAMADA KNEW ABOUT IT!

WE SHOULD DEEPEN OUR RELATION-SHIP EVEN MORE,
AH!
You mean cosplay?
DON'T LEAVE OUT THE MOST IMPOR-TANT PART!
WITH THE PLAY CLUB HAVNG BEEN OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED TODAY,

HMM, WELL,

THIS IS HUGE!
SO WE'RE GONNA DO OUR ACTIVITIES AT MY HOUSE!

SOUICHI'S SHAKING LIKE NORMAL ...
.....!!

IT'S SO BIG THAT THE HOUSE IS STILL FAR AWAY.
THEY DO HAVE A HELIPAD, AFTER ALL.
THAT WAS TRUE!?

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS!?
IT'S LIKE A CASTLE!

UH, I'VE BEEN HERE TONS OF TIMES!!
COME TO THINK OF IT, NONE OF YOU'VE BEEN HERE.
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HERE IT IS!
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AH!
I'M HOME!
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IT'S NEE-CHAN!
I'M SURE THERE ARE A BUNCH OF BUTLERS AND MAIDS...

ONEE-CHAN!
WEL-COME HOME!
ONEE-CHAN! I BAKED THIS CAKE WITH SAITOU-SAN! HAVE SOME!
I HELPED BAKE IT, TOO!
OKAY, OKAY.
MY FRIENDS ARE HERE TODAY, SO I'LL SEE YOU LATER.
EHH!? LATER?
LET'S EAT IT TOGETH-ER!
NO MATTER WHAT!
AH, I'LL MAKE SOME TEA ONCE WE GET TO MY ROOM, SO FOLLOW ME.. WAIT,
THERE, THERE.
WAA! NO FAIR! PET MITSUBA, TOO!

WHY HAVE YOU GUYS BEEN FREAKING OUT FOR A WHILE!?
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SHE HAS A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT CLOTHES!
WOW!

THIS IS SO EXCIT-ING!
CAN I REALLY TRY ON ANY OF THESE!?
I almost never wear them so I'll give them to you

IT'S LIKE THIS IS A CLOTHING STORE!

SO I'LL CHOOSE YOUR CLOTHES, TOO!
WA-
WAIT, REI-KUN!
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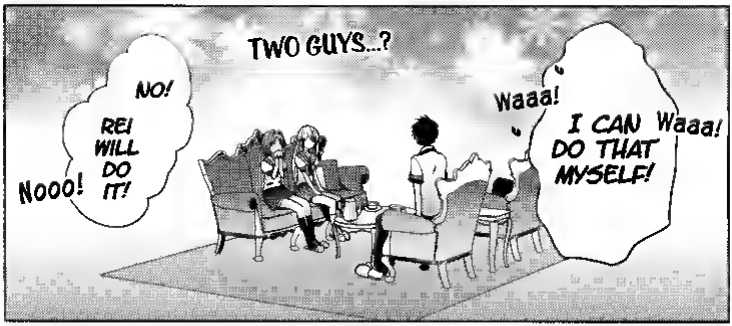

TWO GUYS...?
NO! REI WILL DO IT!
Nooo!
Waaa!
I CAN DO THAT MYSELF!
Waaa!

...
Haa
YAAAY!
..MIKO, WHY DO YOU WEAR CLOTHES LIKE THIS?
WELL...
BECAUSE I'M FORCED TO?
RELUC-TANTLY?

THAT'S... RIGHT...

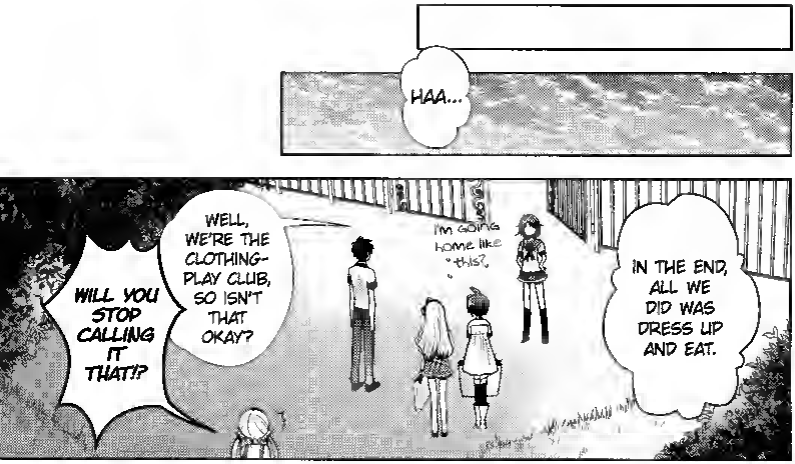
I DO IT BECAUSE I LIKE IT.
I LIKE DOING STUFF LIKE THIS,
AND I LIKE THE WAY I AM.

AND WHEN I SAW YOU ON THE BLOG,
YOU WERE SPARKLING,
AND YOU SEEMED TO BE HAVING FUN,

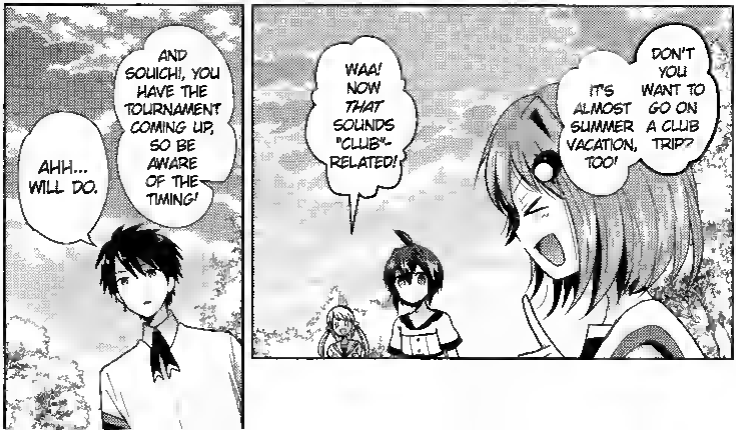
WHEN I FIRST MET YOU,
RE!...

YOU SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
DESPITE THAT,
SO I ENVIED YOU!
THAT MAKES SAD TO ME HEAR,
...AND UPSET AT YOU!
WHOA ...
I WANT US TO BOTH BE HAVING FUN!
Uwaaaaah!
SO,

REI-KUN...!
WHOA!
JUST WHEN I THOUGHT YOU WERE TAKING A LONG TIME,
WHAT'S GOING ON IN HERE, YAMADA!?
DON'T CALL ME YAMADA!
GEEZ, WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
WHAT REI-KUN SAID
DEFINITELY HIT THE NAIL ON THE HEAD.
AND YET ALL I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IS DOING MY BEST AT IT...


HAA...
IN THE END, ALL WE DID WAS DRESS UP AND EAT.
I'm going home like this?
WELL, WE'RE THE CLOTHING-PLAY CLUB, SO ISN'T THAT OKAY?
WILL YOU STOP CALLING IT THAT!?

OH YEAH!


DON'T YOU WANT TO GO ON A CLUB TRIP?
IT'S ALMOST SUMMER VACATION, TOO!
WAA! NOW THAT SOUNDS "CLUB"-RELATED!
AND SOUICHI, YOU HAVE THE TOURNAMENT COMING UP, SO BE AWARE OF THE TIMING!
AHH... WILL DO.

THE TOURNA-MENT...
...YOU'VE CHANGED, AYUMU-KUN.
HUH!?
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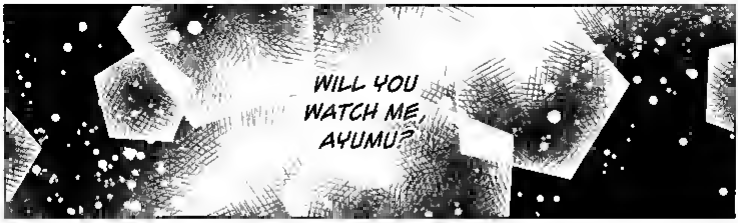
YOU THINK SO...?
YEAH,
YOUR EXPRES-SIONS HAVE BECOME RICHER!
WELL...
I'M SURE THAT'S NOT THE REAL ME...
IF THE YOU WHEN YOU'RE CROSS-DRESSING AND YOUR USUAL SELF
HOW SHOULD I PUT IT...
WERE TO BECOME ONE WITH A SNAP,

THEN
THAT
SHOULD DEFINITELY CEASE TO BE A "STEPPING-STONE" YOU USE.
IT WOULD CEASE TO BE...
A STEPPING-STONE...


WILL YOU WATCH ME, AYUMU?

IS THAT FUTURE POSSIBLE?
THAT WHICH LIES AHEAD ON THAT PATH.
TO BE CONTINUED

Rescue Maiden MIKO-chan
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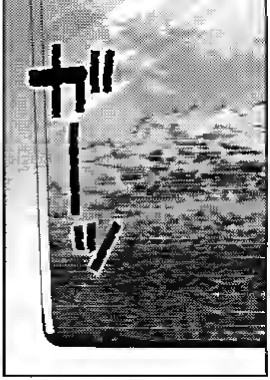
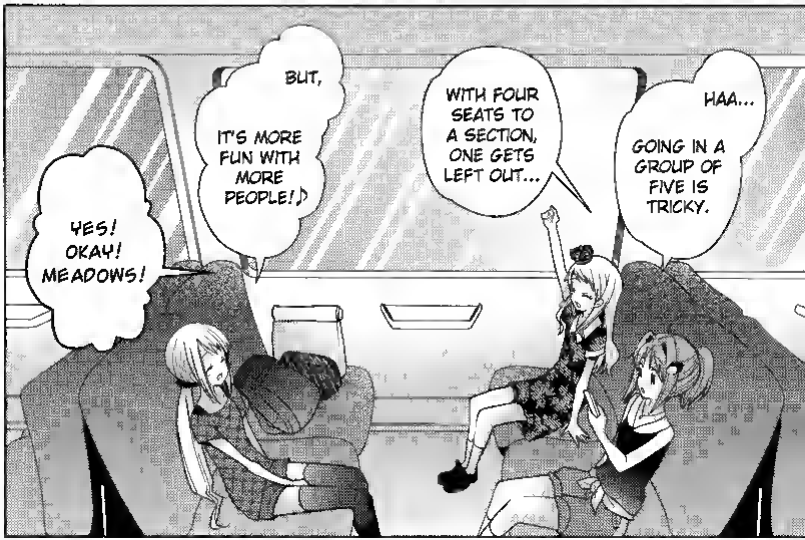
ICHIJINSHA WANI COMICS
Presented by HIROICHI
THERE IS STILL NO END TO HIS WORRIES...!!
HIROICHI

WOW!
ALL I CAN SEE ARE THE MOUN-TAINS!
THIS IS SO FAST!




HAA...
GOING IN A GROUP OF FIVE IS TRICKY.
WITH FOUR SEATS TO A SECTION, ONE GETS LEFT OUT...
BUT, IT'S MORE FUN WITH MORE PEOPLE!♪
YES! OKAY! MEADOWS!

BUT WELL,

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THE GROUP OF TWO.
IT'S OKAY IF WE JUST SPLIT INTO GROUPS OF THREE AND TWO.

YEAH.
THESE LUNCHES ARE SO GOOD!

I THINK THAT'LL BE IN A LITTLE BIT.
AHH…
I HOPE WE GET TO SEE MT. FUJI.

…
I GAVE THAT SPOT TO SOUICHI EVEN THOUGH I ALSO WANTED TO BE WITH MIKO, AND YET…!
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ARE THEY GONNA BE OKAY..?
IT'S LIKE A QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION!
WELL, SOUICHI'S BEEN LIKE THAT FROM THE START.

THERE'S A LOT IN HERE!
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME EATING A STATION LUNCH!
WOW!
I'M OLDER THAN THE REST OF YOU, AFTER ALL!♪
... AREN'T YOU IN FACT REALLY FEELING LONELY?
Slow on the uptake

ALL RIGHT!

EH HEH...
AND NOW IT'S TIME FOR THE GREATEST FAN SERVICE SCENE OF THIS CENTURY...

WE PUT OUR BAGS AWAY, SO LET'S GO FOR THE CLIMAX RIGHT OFF THE BAT!
BEACH TIME IS HERE!

REALLY?
DO I LOOK CUTE? DO I?
THAT LOOKS SO CUTE!
TA-DA!
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OHH!
U-UM...
BUT STILL, A SWIMSUIT IS...
I SAID I WAS OKAY WITH IT DURING CLUB ACTIVI-TIES...

WHOOOOA!
This is a swimsuit?
MIKO-CHAN'S SWIMSUIT VERSION...!
YOUR STOCKINGS ARE EVEN THE RIGHT LENGTH FOR A SWIM-SUIT.
ALTHOUGH THERE'S A LOT THAT'S COVERED UP, THERE'S A SUGGESTIVE TOUCH...
No slip ups.
IT'S NOT BY CHOICE! MOM DID THIS WITHOUT ASKING...
HAA... YOU'RE SO CUTE..
I WANNA TAKE YOU HOME...
GAAAAH!

ALL RIGHT!
WELL THEN, LET'S SHOW NO MERCY AND DRIVE OUT THIS OCEAN!
YAAAY!
LET'S MAKE A SUPERS GOOD CASTLE!
Okay!
Supers Good..?
ERM...
IT'S REALLY NOT HERE...

I SHOULD HAVE BROUGHT A NORMAL ONE, TOO...
YO!
HERE'S A PRES-ENT!
HUH ...?
I-IS THIS BY ANY CHANCE...
YEAH! YOU CATCH ON QUICK-LY!
MIKOSHIBA SHRINE
AHH!
ARE THESE WHAT YOU'RE SELLING WHILE WE'RE OUT OF TOWN?
I SEE.
THAT'S WHY SHE HAD ME WEAR THIS SWIMSUIT ..!

They're so cute!
AH! OKAY!
I'LL HAVE THIS CHARM, PLEASE.
U-UMM, THESE ARE BEING SOLD BY MIKOSHIBA SHRINE.
OK
※ GROUNDS OWNED BY THE KIMURA FAMILY
I GOT PERMISSION TO SELL THESE THANKS TO WAKABA-CHAN.
WHETHER IT'S FOR PRAYERS FOR SAFETY OR TO FULFILL
P-PRETTY LOVE, RESCUE GIRL MIKO-CHAN WILL SOLVE IT!
NOW, NOW,
LET'S ENJOY IT!
…
BUT THIS IS NO DIFFERENT FROM USUAL…

WA-WAKABA-CHAN!

I'LL TAKE THESE!
♡

CHARMS FOR FULFILLING ONE'S LOVE...?
WA-WAKABA-CHAN WANTS THEM!? WHY!?
TO THINK THERE'S A GUY AROUND WAKABA-CHAN...
AH, THERE ARE A BUNCH OF US, BUT...
HUH? UMM,

AND NOW...

HERE YOU GO...
THANKS!

HERE! A PRESENT FOR YOU!
SO I'M GIVING THIS ONE TO YOU, AYUMU-KUN.
I HOPE IT'S EFFECTIVE FOR YOU!
HUH?
DON'T THEY SAY IT'S BETTER TO RECEIVE A CHARM FROM SOMEONE?
AH... YEAH...
THERE ARE SUPER-STITIONS LIKE THAT SOMETIMES... Like with praying for one's safety
...

YOU'RE NOT GONNA HELP HIM OUT, SOUICHI?
!?
...HUH!?

HERE, A PRESENT FOR YOU, TOO.
Mikoshiba Shrine
?

SINCE WE'RE AT THE BEACH, YOU SAID TO COME AND HAVE FUN.
There are few people here, too...
SO THAT'S WHY YOU'RE READING..
WELL, WHAT-EVER

YOU HAVE TO SOME-TIMES
COME OUT WITH A FIRM DECISION!

THIS IS FROM MIKOSHIBA SHRINE...
YOU KNOW, AFTER DOING ALL THIS TO PUT YOU TWO TOGETHER,

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I'M...
THEN I GUESS I'LL TAKE AYUMU-KUN AS MY WIFE!
!!!
A... AYU... AYUMU... IS...
EH HEH ...!
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN YOU LOOK LIKE THAT...!
WELL THEN,

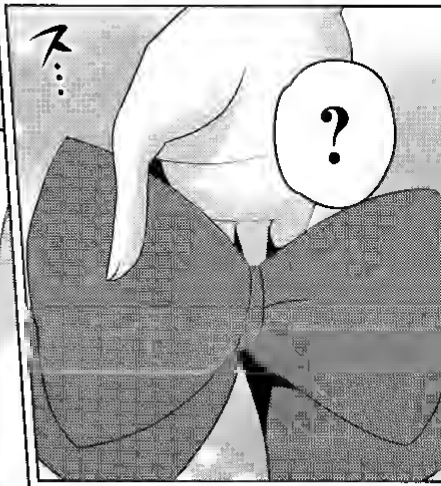
IT'S ABOUT TIME THIS MEDDLESOME OLD LADY HEADED BACK TO THE CLUB ROOM.
...LIKE EARLIER,
NOT TO JOKE OR ANYTHING,
BUT I LIKE SEEING YOU WITH AYUMU-KUN.
AFTER ALL, WHEN I'M WITH YOU TWO,
I GET TO SEE SOME INTERESTING REACTIONS I'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE.

OUR CLUB
HAS FINALLY REVIVED.
SO MAKE SURE YOU PLAY TO WIN!
...
HAA...

WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
IT LOOKS LIKE I'VE DROPPED MY RIBBON...

Waaa!
MOM'S GONNA YELL AT ME!
YOU'RE SO ABSENT-MINDED, AYUMU..

S-SOU-ICHI!?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I PICKED IT UP.
AH...
HERE.
I'M SO GLAD...!
T-THANK YOU...!
AH, THEN HOW ABOUT WE GO BACK TO THE GUEST HOUSE?
STARING AT ME MORE THAN USUAL.
H-HE'S KIND OF
...

WANT TO...
GO LOOK AT THE OCEAN FOR A BIT?
WOW!
AH! THE RIBBON!
YEAH.
IT'S LIKE WE'VE COME TO A DIFFERENT PLACE!
ALTHOUGH THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE AFTER-NOON,
ISN'T THIS AMAZ-ING?

YEAH,
YOU KNOW WHAT?
NOW IT FEELS COMPLETE!
UM .. AT FIRST I WAS RELUCTANT
TO DO STUFF... LIKE CROSS-DRESS...
BUT NOW, I DON'T WANT TO... STOP...
...PROBABLY.
HAVE I CHANGED...?

AH, I SEE.
WHY AM I TELLING YOU SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
AHAHA...
H-HUH?
WHO MADE ME FEEL THIS WAY, SOUICHI.
BECAUSE I GUESS YOU'RE THE ONE

THAT'S NOT TRUE.
I HAVE TO KEEP AT IT...
...
YOU'RE ALWAYS HELPING ME OUT, AREN'T YOU?
I'M THE ONE WHO'S ALWAYS BEING SUPPORTED BY YOU.
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WHAT SHOULD I DO?
HUH...?

I'M
STARTING TO FEEL STRANGE AGAIN...
キュン…
I SHOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TALK TO HIM NORMALLY.
R-REALLY?
IT'S EMBARRASSING IF YOU SAY SOMETHING SO UPFRONT LIKE THAT TO ME...
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AYUMU,
IF I
MANAGE TO WIN THE TOURNAMENT...
HUH...?

LET'S GET MARRIED.

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(FOR VARIOUS REASONS) WHAAAAAT !?
TO BE CONTINUED

EXTRA: BONUS SWIMSUIT CHAPTER!

U-UM...
I'M GOOD...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, AYUMU-KUN!?
WE CAME ALL THIS WAY TO THE BEACH, SO LET'S SWIM!
YEAH!
B...
BUT...

NOT KNOW HOW TO SWIM?
HUH!?
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AH... DO YOU...
AH! NO!
THAT'S NOT IT! UM!
HE'S SO TRANSPARENT...
SOUICHI...
IF YOU CAN'T SWIM, I'LL TEACH YOU.
UWEH...

OKAY...
THEN...
SO JUST WAIT A SECOND..
I'LL TAKE THIS OFF..
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SOUICHI !?

WH-WHAT'S WRONG!?
IS THE SUN MAKING HIM FEEL DIZZY...?
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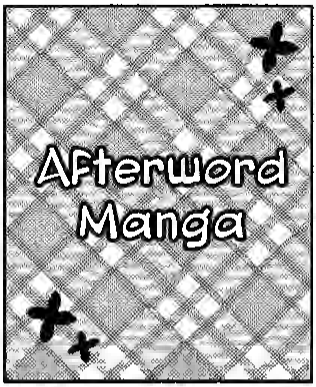
AH! HE'S DEAD.
THE NATURAL WAY HE DOES THAT IS TERRIFYING!
スウ…
HEY,
WOW! YOU'RE RIGHT!
I have some for everyone!
THESE ARE SO GOOD!
IN THE END, SOUICHI AND AYUMU-KUN COULDN'T GO SWIMMING.

By: Hiraichi

IT'S BEEN OVER A YEAR SINCE VOLUME 1 WAS RELEASED.
HELLO, IT'S BEEN A WHILE!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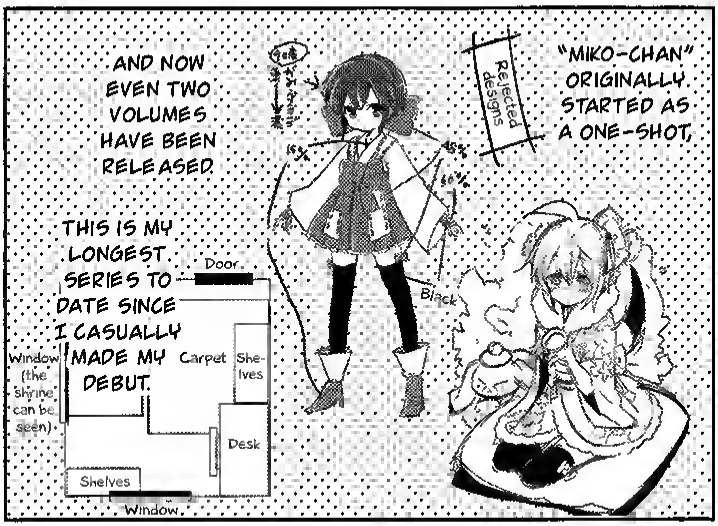
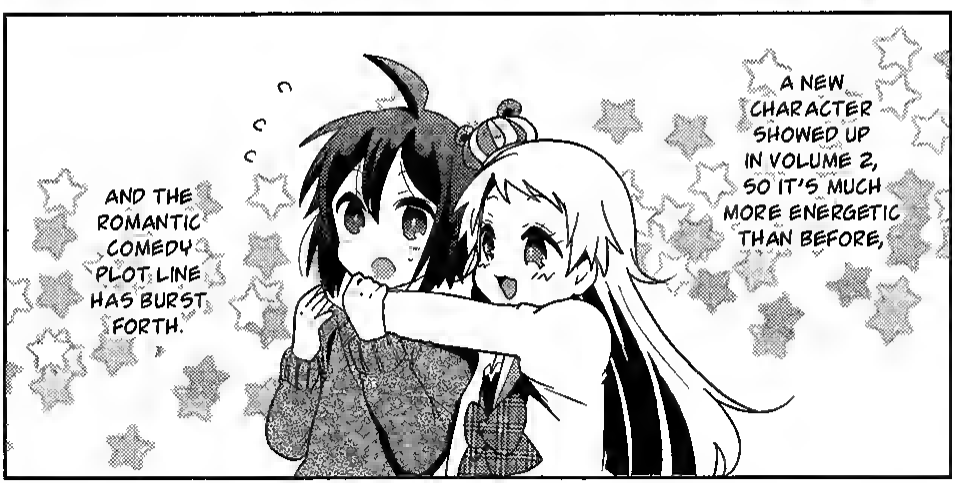
I'M SO THANKFUL!


AND NOW EVEN TWO VOLUMES HAVE BEEN RELEASED.
THIS IS MY LONGEST SERIES TO DATE SINCE I CASUALLY MADE MY DEBUT.
Door
Window (the shrine can be seen)
Carpet
Shelves
Desk
Shelves
Window
Rejected designs
15%
15%
40%
Black
"MIKO-CHAN" ORIGINALLY STARTED AS A ONE-SHOT.


AND THE ROMANTIC COMEDY PLOT LINE HAS BURST FORTH.
A NEW CHARACTER SHOWED UP IN VOLUME 2, SO IT'S MUCH MORE ENERGETIC THAN BEFORE.

THERE'S A STRONG SENSE OF ME WORRYING ALONGSIDE AYUMU WHILE I DREW IT.
AND THINKING ABOUT IT INTUITIVELY IS SETTING THE BAR PRETTY HIGH.
WRITING A ROMANTIC COMEDY BETWEEN A TRAP AND A GUY IS VERY DIFFICULT,
AND I DIDN'T EXPECT THERE TO BE SO MANY PEOPLE WHO TOLD ME THEY ALSO LIKED REON,
SO I COULDN'T BE HAPPIER!
That should be obvious!
WELL THEN, I'D BE VERY HAPPY IF WE COULD MEET AGAIN IN VOLUME 3.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR PICKING THIS UP!
A point blank fan-service shot!
MY ASSISTANTS
Mio Hattori-san
Hiyoko-san
Ezaki-san
Kinji-kun
Mahiron
Kagura-san
Thank you very much to everyone else!!